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FOIPA Request No.: 1152719- 000  
Subject: ROWLAND, CHUCK

Dear Mr. Charles:

The records that you have requested were previously processed under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act for another requester.

Enclosed are 94 pages of documents pertaining to your request and a copy of the explanation of exemptions.

You may file an appeal by writing to the Director, Office of Information Policy (OIP), U.S. Department of Justice, 1425 New York Ave., NW, Suite 11050, Washington, D.C. 20530-0001. Your appeal must be received by OIP within sixty (60) days from the date of this letter in order to be considered timely. The envelope and the letter should be clearly marked "Freedom of Information Appeal." Please cite the FOIPA Request Number assigned to your request so that it may be identified easily.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "D. Hardy", is written over a horizontal line.

David M. Hardy  
Section Chief,  
Record/Information  
Dissemination Section  
Records Management Division

Enclosure(s)

## EXPLANATION OF EXEMPTIONS

### SUBSECTIONS OF TITLE 5, UNITED STATES CODE, SECTION 552

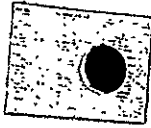
- (b)(1) (A) specifically authorized under criteria established by an Executive order to be kept secret in the interest of national defense or foreign policy and (B) are in fact properly classified to such Executive order;
- (b)(2) related solely to the internal personnel rules and practices of an agency;
- (b)(3) specifically exempted from disclosure by statute (other than section 552b of this title), provided that such statute (A) requires that the matters be withheld from the public in such a manner as to leave no discretion on issue, or (B) establishes particular criteria for withholding or refers to particular types of matters to be withheld;
- (b)(4) trade secrets and commercial or financial information obtained from a person and privileged or confidential;
- (b)(5) inter-agency or intra-agency memorandums or letters which would not be available by law to a party other than an agency in litigation with the agency;
- (b)(6) personnel and medical files and similar files the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy;
- (b)(7) records or information compiled for law enforcement purposes, but only to the extent that the production of such law enforcement records or information ( A ) could be reasonably be expected to interfere with enforcement proceedings, ( B ) would deprive a person of a right to a fair trial or an impartial adjudication, ( C ) could be reasonably expected to constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy, ( D ) could reasonably be expected to disclose the identity of confidential source, including a State, local, or foreign agency or authority or any private institution which furnished information on a confidential basis, and, in the case of record or information compiled by a criminal law enforcement authority in the course of a criminal investigation, or by an agency conducting a lawful national security intelligence investigation, information furnished by a confidential source, ( E ) would disclose techniques and procedures for law enforcement investigations or prosecutions, or would disclose guidelines for law enforcement investigations or prosecutions if such disclosure could reasonably be expected to risk circumvention of the law, or ( F ) could reasonably be expected to endanger the life or physical safety of any individual;
- (b)(8) contained in or related to examination, operating, or condition reports prepared by, on behalf of, or for the use of an agency responsible for the regulation or supervision of financial institutions; or
- (b)(9) geological and geophysical information and data, including maps, concerning wells.

### SUBSECTIONS OF TITLE 5, UNITED STATES CODE, SECTION 552a

- (d)(5) information compiled in reasonable anticipation of a civil action proceeding;
- (j)(2) material reporting investigative efforts pertaining to the enforcement of criminal law including efforts to prevent, control, or reduce crime or apprehend criminals;
- (k)(1) information which is currently and properly classified pursuant to an Executive order in the interest of the national defense or foreign policy, for example, information involving intelligence sources or methods;
- (k)(2) investigatory material compiled for law enforcement purposes, other than criminal, which did not result in loss of a right, benefit or privilege under Federal programs, or which would identify a source who furnished information pursuant to a promise that his/her identity would be held in confidence;
- (k)(3) material maintained in connection with providing protective services to the President of the United States or any other individual pursuant to the authority of Title 18, United States Code, Section 3056;
- (k)(4) required by statute to be maintained and used solely as statistical records;
- (k)(5) investigatory material compiled solely for the purpose of determining suitability, eligibility, or qualifications for Federal civilian employment or for access to classified information, the disclosure of which would reveal the identity of the person who furnished information pursuant to a promise that his/her identity would be held in confidence;

- (k)(6) testing or examination material used to determine individual qualifications for appointment or promotion in Federal Government service the release of which would compromise the testing or examination process;
- (k)(7) material used to determine potential for promotion in the armed services, the disclosure of which would reveal the identity of the person who furnished the material pursuant to a promise that his/her identity would be held in confidence.

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Director, FBI

RE: SECURITY MATTER

Dear Sir:

It is recommended that a Security Index card be prepared  
 relative to the individual named below:

Name: CHARLES DENNISON ROWLAND  
 Aliases: CHARLES ROLAND, CHARLES ROLLAND, "CHUCK"

Residence Address: Apartment 3, 303 Aurora Avenue,  
 St. Paul, Minnesota

Business Address: Is executive secretary of Minnesota  
 organization of American Youth for Democracy, Room 8,  
 1607 Nicollet Avenue, Minneapolis, Minnesota

☒ Native Born ☐ Alien ☐ Naturalized

☒ Communist ☐ German ☐ Miscellaneous

☐ Fascist (Italian) ☐ Japanese

Date of Birth August 24, 1917

Place of Birth Gary, South Dakota

Entered U. S. \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_

Naturalized (date) \_\_\_\_\_

Naturalized (place and Court) \_\_\_\_\_

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Very truly yours,

M. B. RHODES

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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA

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FILE NO.

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REPORT MADE AT ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA	DATE WHEN MADE 5/14/48	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 3/20, 22, 23; 4/21; 5/7, 8, 10/48	REPORT MADE BY [REDACTED] flkb/omo
TITLE CHARLES DENNISON ROWLAND, was. Charles Roland, Charles Roland, "Chuck"			CHARACTER OF CASE INTERNAL SECURITY - C

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## SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Subject, age 31, single, born August 24, 1917, at Gary, S. D., resides Apartment 3, 303 Aurora Avenue, St. Paul, Minn. Presently employed as executive secretary, AYD, Minnesota Chapter. Educated at South Dakota and employed in father's drug store, Gary, S. D., prior to service in U. S. Army from December 30, 1942, to March 7, 1946. After discharge from service he was field secretary for American Veterans' Committee newspaper, "The Plainsman." Came to Minneapolis in January, 1947, after death of father. Was placed on CP Veterans' Commission and Youth Commission, and was active in AVC through Maceo-Harris post prior to taking over present post. Has FBI Identification Number 5085792.

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## DETAILS:

This investigation was predicated upon information received from [REDACTED] on January 20, 1947, that ROWLAND was active in and associating with members of the Communist Party.

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## PERSONAL HISTORY AND BACKGROUND

Employment records of the Western Electric Company, Inc., St. Paul, Minnesota, reflected that CHARLES DENNISON ROWLAND was born August 24, 1917, at Gary, South Dakota, the son of W. J. ROWLAND, who died in January, 1947, at Gary, South Dakota, and Mrs. BIRDIE B. ROWLAND, who resides at Box 210, Gary, South Dakota. He was educated in the Gary, South Dakota public school, September, 1923, to May, 1931, and at Gary, South Dakota High School from 1931 to 1935, when he graduated. He attended the South Dakota State College at Brookings, South Dakota, from 1935 to 1936.

APPROVED AND FORWARDED: [Signature]	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE [Signature]	DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES	
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ROWLAND was employed in his father's drug store at Gary, South Dakota, from June, 1936, to October, 1941. From October 5, 1941, to September 20, 1942, he was employed by the Sherwin-Williams Company, Linseed Oil Division, 24th Street West and Cuyahoga, Cleveland, Ohio. From October 1, 1942, to December 15, 1942, he was employed as a billing clerk by the Alabam Freight Lines, Phoenix, Arizona. He was inducted into the United States Army on December 30, 1942, and was discharged on March 7, 1946. His army serial number was 37545297, and he attained the rank of Staff Sergeant. He was re-employed in his father's drug store at Gary, South Dakota, from March 15, 1946, until the business was sold after his father's death on January 30, 1947. He moved to Minneapolis, Minnesota, in February, 1947, and was employed for a short time by the Minneapolis Honeywell Regulator Company, being discharged for an unknown reason. He was employed by the Western Electric Company in St. Paul from February 26, 1947, to March 21, 1947, when he resigned to secure other employment.

While in Minneapolis ROWLAND resided at 2428 Aldrich South, and at present he is residing in Apartment 3, 303 Aurora Avenue, St. Paul, Minnesota.

[redacted] State Board of Health, Pierre, South Dakota, verified the birth of CHARLES DENNISON ROWLAND as August 24, 1917, at Gary, South Dakota, the son of WALTER J. and BIRDIE B. GRIFFING ROWLAND.

ROWLAND has no record at the Minneapolis Credit Exchange or the Minneapolis and St. Paul Police Departments.

#### ACTIVITIES

The St. Paul Office files contain copies of a newspaper, "The Plainsman," published by the American Veterans' Committee at Gary, South Dakota. A review of this newspaper reflects that subsequent to his discharge from the U. S. Army, ROWLAND returned to Gary, South Dakota, and assumed the position of field secretary of the newspaper. It should be noted that the field office address for the paper was Box 210, Gary, South Dakota, which is also ROWLAND's address.

The August 1, 1946, issue of this newspaper carried an editorial castigating Representative RANKIN relative to the investigation of atomic scientists at Oak Ridge, Tennessee. [redacted] a columnist for the newspaper, in an article entitled "Midwest Political Notes" said in part:

[redacted] of the Rankin Committee on un-American activities, has just 'investigated' the atomic scientists at Oak Ridge, Tennessee. I hear that the committee is next looking into the record of Jesus Christ who, it seems, has Communist leanings."



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\*Conf. J. H.  
[redacted] advised that on January 13, 1947, ROWLAND wrote a letter from Gary, South Dakota, to [redacted] of the Communist Party, [redacted] of the Communist Party Veterans' Commission, and former Communist Party candidate for the office of Railroad and Warehouse Commissioner in Minnesota. He thanked [redacted] for recommending him for the position of organizing a Veterans' Conference, and stated he would be unable to meet [redacted] in Minneapolis on January 20, 1947, because of the recent death of his father. He stated that as soon as he had straightened out his father's affairs he intended to make his permanent home in Minneapolis, and he would then be able to accept the position offered by [redacted].

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ROWLAND secured employment at the Minneapolis Honeywell Regulator Company upon his arrival in Minneapolis in February of 1947. [redacted] advised that ROWLAND was fired a few days after he secured employment at Honeywell. [redacted] of the Communist Party, told [redacted] that,

"One of our fellows, CHARLES ROWLAND, got fired by Honeywell as a result of investigation by the FBI. I told CHUCK to keep his mouth shut until after the six-month probationary period, and he insists he did but they fired him anyway."

[redacted] advised that a meeting of the Youth Commission of the Communist Party was held at Communist Party Headquarters in Minneapolis on February 3, 1947. [redacted] of the Communist Party, stated that the Communist Party was conducting a drive during the next six months to build up the Party in Minneapolis. In order to do this, they were considering organizing youth clubs in Minneapolis to function along with the American Youth For Democracy. Such youth clubs would primarily operate for educational purposes and to explain the problems of the Party. At the meeting ROWLAND was suggested as one of the persons who would be active in forming such youth clubs.

According to [redacted], on February 25, 1947, ROWLAND attended an executive committee meeting of the Youth Commission of the Communist Party at Communist Party headquarters. At this meeting ROWLAND gave a report on "red-baiting." ROWLAND named as the chief red-baiters today J. EDGAR HOOVER, MSGR. FULTON J. SHEEN, [redacted] of the American Veterans Committee, AMERICAN LEGION, AMVETS, and most of the capitalistic newspapers. At this meeting ROWLAND was made educational director of the Commission.

[redacted] also advised that ROWLAND attended a leadership class meeting of the Communist Party at Communist Party headquarters on February 27, 1947, the class discussion being led by [redacted] of the Communist Party. At this meeting ROWLAND stated that the capitalists and the monopolists, not only nationally but internationally, were preparing for another war and that this was evidenced by their drive for anti-labor legislation, their drive to skyrocket prices, particularly food prices.

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At a Veterans Commission meeting of the Communist Party held at Communist Party headquarters in Minneapolis on March 2, 1947, attended by [redacted] of the Veterans Committee for the Communist Party, MARTIN D. MACKIE, District Number Nine Chairman of the Communist Party, [redacted] and CHARLES ROWLAND, [redacted] advised that the subject for discussion was the coming national elections of the American Veterans' Committee. At this meeting [redacted] told ROWLAND that he had put him on the Veterans Commission of the Communist Party and cautioned ROWLAND about his new job. "You want to be a normal union member. Belong to your Communist Party club and don't get involved in anything that might lose you your job, at least for sixty days. Then it will be a little more difficult for them to fire you."

On March 19, 1947, according to information furnished by [redacted], ROWLAND and [redacted] were discussing veteran activities of the Communist Party at Communist Party headquarters in Minneapolis. ROWLAND advised that he had written an article which was to be sent out to all veterans organizations under the name of the Communist Party. It set out the aims of the Party, both long and short term, in a series of questions and answers, and urged the denouncing of legislation against the Communist Party as violation of democratic rights and principles.

According to [redacted], on March 23, 1947, ROWLAND attended a meeting of the Veterans Commission of the Communist Party and made arrangements for a secret caucus of left wingers of the AVC in order to plan their strategy, name candidates, and draw up a platform for the national convention. ROWLAND stated he had recently become a member of the Maceo-Harris Post of the American Veterans Committee, not so much as a matter of choice, but to help [redacted], a Communist, get the post straightened out.

On March 23, 1947, LEONARD DICKENSON, representative in the Minnesota State Legislature from Bemidji, Minnesota, contacted the St. Paul Office and advised that he was the author of a bill to bar the Communist Party from the ballot in Minnesota. He stated that he had received a telegram requesting that the bill be voted down. This telegram was signed by eight persons, including ROWLAND, and it was noted that the other seven were members of the Communist Party.

The "Minneapolis Star Journal" in the April 26, 1947, edition contained a letter to the editor from ROWLAND which is quoted as follows:

"The Hartley Bill is the most ominous manifestation of fascist ideology in our country today. The bill, if passed, will mean the death of equitable bargaining between workers and employers. Once the closed shop, industry-wide bargaining, jurisdictional disputes and everything else essential to union growth and security are outlawed, monopoly capital will be undisputed master of us all."



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The "Minneapolis Tribune" dated May 3, 1947, advised that the Maceo-Harris chapter of the American Veterans Committee, Minneapolis, headed by CHARLES DENNISON ROWLAND, voted unanimously to join in the sponsorship of HENRY A. WALLACE's appearance in Minneapolis on May 12, 1947.

On May 21, 1947, ROWLAND attended a committee meeting at Communist Party headquarters in Minneapolis and, according to [redacted], considerable time was spent in discussing qualifications for joining the Communist Party. b2

[redacted] furnished a typewritten statement which he obtained June 5, 1947, which stated that [redacted] was on the State Veterans Committee of the Communist Party. This statement contains the typewritten signature of [redacted], contains the names of the group, and on the back of the statement was written the names of veterans who were Communist Party members. ROWLAND's name also being included on this list. b2 b6 b7C

According to [redacted], ROWLAND contacted Communist Party headquarters in Minneapolis on October 4, 1947, and obtained leaflets from [redacted] for distribution. The leaflets had to do with the high cost of living. b2 b6 b7C

The "Minneapolis Daily Times" newspaper dated December 10, 1947, stated that CHARLES ROWLAND, State Executive Secretary of the American Youth For Democracy, was chairman of the meeting which sponsored the Minneapolis appearance of GERHART EISLER and CARL MARZANI on December 9, 1947. The American Youth For Democracy sponsored the meeting at the Labor Lyceum, and ROWLAND introduced the speakers. Special Employee [redacted] of the St. Paul Office attended the meeting and heard ROWLAND state, in introducing EISLER, that American Youth For Democracy sponsorship of the meeting did not mean that the group approved of EISLER's position. He went on to state that the American Youth For Democracy has Communists in its membership, but stated that the American Youth For Democracy is specifically not a Communist organization. b6 b7C

A few days prior to January 15, 1948, [redacted] of the building located at 1607 Nicollet Avenue, Minneapolis, Minnesota, advised Special Agent [redacted] of the St. Paul Office that ROWLAND had contacted [redacted] and made arrangements to rent Room 8 on the second floor at 1607 Nicollet for the American Youth For Democracy, the rental to begin January 15, 1948. ROWLAND furnished [redacted] with a notation on which was written CHARLES ROWLAND, Executive Secretary of the Minnesota organization of American Youth For Democracy. ROWLAND's home address was given as 303 Aurora Avenue, Apartment 3, St. Paul 3, Minnesota, and his telephone number as Mulberry 3042. b6 b7C

The "St. Paul Dispatch" newspaper dated February 12, 1948, advised that the Minnesota chapter of American Youth For Democracy would sponsor a rally on February 13, 1948, at the Minneapolis Labor Temple protesting universal military training. The February 12, 1948, issue of the "St. Paul Dispatch" quoted ROWLAND

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as saying that universal military training would lead directly to war. He went on to say:

"The push to pass the universal military training bill is part of the drive fostered by the administration and Wall Street to bolster reactionary governments in Europe against democracy and prepare Europe for war while taking away our civil liberties at home."

ROWLAND presided at the meeting which was addressed by [redacted] of the Wesley Methodist Church in Minneapolis, [redacted] University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, and CLARENCE HATHAWAY, Business Agent for Local 1139, United Electrical Workers - CIO. HATHAWAY is former editor of the "Daily Worker" and is presently active in Communist affairs in Minneapolis.

Confidential Informant T-1 advised that ROWLAND, on March 22, 1948, together with MARTIN MACKIE, District Number Nine Chairman of the Communist Party, [redacted] of the Communist Party, and SAM K. DAVIS, recently ousted business manager of "Minnesota Labor," official CIO organ, former Communist Party candidate for Governor, and presently District Circulation Manager and correspondent of the "Daily Worker", contacted the City Attorney's office requesting a warrant for an unknown assailant who allegedly assaulted ROWLAND on March 22, 1948, on 13th Street and Nicollet Avenue in Minneapolis.

By letter dated April 3, 1948, the Bureau furnished the following identification record for ROWLAND, FBI Number 5085792, which is as follows:

Contributor of Fingerprints	Name and Number	Arrested or Received	Charge	Disposition
SOS, War Dept.	Charles Dennison Rowland #27-SHW	clerk 4-23-42		
War Department Washington, D.C.	Charles Dennison Rowland #37545297	inducted 12-22-42		

The following description of ROWLAND was obtained from the personnel file of the Western Electric Company at St. Paul, Minnesota, and from his Army service record:

Name:	CHARLES DENNISON ROWLAND, was. Charles Roland, Charles Rolland, "Chuck"
Address:	Apartment 3, 303 Aurora Avenue, St. Paul, Minnesota
Telephone number:	Mulberry 3042
Date of birth:	August 24, 1917

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Place of birth: Gary, South Dakota.  
Race: White  
Height: 5' 11 1/2"  
Weight: 165 to 170 pounds  
Hair: Brown  
Eyes: Hazel  
Build: Medium  
Sex: Male  
Characteristics: Wears glasses  
Complexion: Ruddy  
Physical defects: Near sighted (stigmatism), chronic throat disorder  
Social Security No.: 474-12-9224  
Military Record: In U. S. Army from 12/30/42 to 3/7/46  
Army Serial Number: 37545297  
Education: Attended Gary, S. D. Public School and High School from September, 1923, to June, 1935. Attended S. D. State College, Brookings, S. D., 1935 to 1936.  
Occupation: Stenographer and teacher  
Relatives: Mother - Mrs. BIRDIE B. ROWLAND, Box 210, Gary, South Dakota;

FBI Number: 5085792

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The St. Paul Office

At St. Paul, Minnesota

Will follow and report subject's activities.

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INFORMANT SHEET

Confidential Informant T-1 is [REDACTED], whose identity is known to the Bureau.

## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA

FILE NO. 100-7995

REPORT MADE AT St. Louis, Missouri	DATE WHEN MADE 4-9-48	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 4-2-48	REPORT MADE BY <div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 100px; height: 15px;"></div> pjd
TITLE  CHARLES DENNISON ROWLAND, was.		CHARACTER OF CASE SECURITY MATTER - C	
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: ROWLAND inducted US Army 12-22-42, Ft. Snelling, Minn. Honorably discharged 3-7-46 as S/Sgt. at Camp Grant, Ill. Army service record reviewed. Background information and description set forth.			
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REFERENCE: Report of SA <div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 100px; height: 15px;"></div> dated March 25, 1948, at St. Paul, Minnesota.			
DETAILS: A review of the Army service record on file at the Adjutant General's Office, Demobilized Personnel Records Branch, World War II Unit, War Department, on CHARLES DENNISON ROWLAND, ASN 37545297, reflects that he was inducted through Local Board #2 at Hennepin County, Minnesota, on December 22, 1942, at Fort Snelling, Minnesota. His address at the time of induction was shown as the State Hotel, 135 North First Avenue, Phoenix, Arizona. He was accepted for limited service because of insufficient vision. During the period he served with U. S. Army, he attended Michigan State College from July 12, 1943, to October 11, 1943; studying a general course of subjects which included language study, area study, and military science. He was honorably discharged on March 7, 1946, as a staff sergeant from Camp Grant, Illinois, by reason of demobilization. His permanent address at time of discharge was recorded as Gary, South Dakota. During the time he served with the Army his occupation was that of educational instructor.			
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He received the following medals: World War II Victory Medal, Good Conduct Medal, and the American Theater Ribbon. He had no time outside the continent of the United States. He attended a personnel service school at Lexington, Virginia, from November 15, 1944, to December 13, 1944, and his rating at graduation was very satisfactory.

During the time he was in the service he was stationed at Fort Snelling, Minnesota, Battle Creek, Michigan, Fort Custer, Michigan, and Camp Grant, Illinois.

He was treated for a fracture of the right femur at Percy Jones General Hospital in Battle Creek, Michigan, from September 28, 1944, to December 29, 1944, and has a pension claim pending with the Veteran's Administration.

The following is a description of ROWLAND taken from his Army service record:

Color	White
Sex	Male
Height	5'11½"
Weight	170
Build	Medium
Hair	Brown
Eyes	Hazel
Complexion	Ruddy
Born	August 24, 1917 Gary, South Dakota
Civilian occupation	Stenographer and teacher
Social Security #	474-12-9224
Defects	Short-sighted (astigmatism). Chronic throat disorder
Education	5½ years college
Mother	BIRDIE H. ROWLAND, Gary, South Dakota
Father	Mrs. Mrs. WALTER J. ROWLAND, Gary, South Dakota

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May 1, 1948

SAC, St. Paul

Director, FBI

CHARLES DENNISON ROWLAND, with aliases  
SECURITY MATTER - C  
Your File 100-6539

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent [redacted] dated March 25, 1948, at St. Paul, Minnesota, and the undated letter recommending a Security Index card be prepared on the above captioned subject.

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There are attached hereto four copies of the referenced report which report should be rewritten. It is noted that sources of information were omitted in the following paragraphs. These sources should be set forth.

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*Incorrect report taken from records & returned to [redacted] corrected report substituted for incorrect report & filed as Serial 23 (Com: CCK) 6/21/48*

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It is also noted on page 5, paragraph 5, that Confidential Informant [redacted] furnished certain information. However, the date of the furnishing of this information or the date of the activity therein does not appear.

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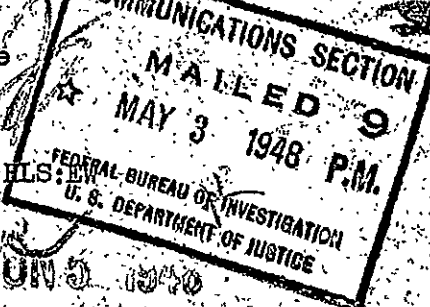
It is also noted that in the various activities set forth in this report from page 2 through 6, no attempt has been made to set the activities forth in a chronological order. At the time this report is rewritten, you are instructed to arrange activities in their appropriate chronological order.

No action is being taken at the present time on the recommendation for a Security Index card. Upon the submission of the rewritten report, you should resubmit your recommendation relative to the preparation of a Security Index card. It is desired that you call to the attention of Agents handling this type of case the instructions relative to furnishing the sources and the arranging of activities in a chronological order.

Mr. Tolson  
Mr. E. A. Tamm  
Mr. Clegg  
Mr. Glavin  
Mr. Ladd  
Mr. Nichols  
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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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TO : Director, FBI

DATE: May 14, 1948

FROM : SAG, St. Paul

SUBJECT: CHARLES DENNISON ROWLAND, was.  
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Re Bureau letter to St. Paul dated May 1, 1948.

The enclosed report of Special Agent [redacted] dated May 14, 1948, contains corrections requested by the Bureau, and replaces the report of Special Agent [redacted] dated March 25, 1948, at St. Paul.

The revised report of SA [redacted] also contains information previously submitted in his report dated April 21, 1948, at St. Paul, Minnesota, which carried a closed status. Since permission has been requested to make ROWLAND a key figure, it is desired that the April 21, 1948, report of Special Agent [redacted] also be destroyed.

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Director, FBI

RE: SECURITY MATTER

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Aliases: Charles Roland, Charles Rolland, "Chuck"

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St. Paul, Minnesota

Business Address: Is executive secretary of Minnesota  
organization of American Youth for Democracy, Room 8,  
1607 Nicollet Avenue, Minneapolis, Minnesota

☒ Native Born      ☐ Alien      ☐ Naturalized  
  
☒ Communist      ☐ German      ☐ Miscellaneous  
  
☐ Fascist (Italian)      ☐ Japanese      ☐

Date of Birth August 24, 1917

Place of Birth Gary, South Dakota

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Very truly yours,

M. B. RHODES

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TO : Director, FBI

DATE: May 14, 1948

FROM : */K* SAC, St. PaulSUBJECT: CHARLES DENNISON ROWLAND, was.  
*Charles Roland, Charles*  
*Rolland, "Chuck"*  
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It is recommended that ROWLAND be made a key figure because of his potential dangerousness. Investigation reflects that he devotes his full time to the Communist Party and is presently executive secretary of the Minnesota chapter of the American Youth For Democracy.

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Charles Roland, Charles  
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INTERNAL SECURITY - CAttention: FBI Laboratory

Enclosed is a photograph and handwriting specimens of the subject who has been recommended for inclusion in the Key Figure List. These specimens and photograph should be included in the National Security File.

The enclosed photograph was secured from the Western Electric Company at St. Paul, Minnesota, and was taken by this firm on February 26, 1947, at the time of ROWLAND's employment.

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(handwriting specimen of ROWLAND and photograph)

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P.O. Box 210  
Gary, S. Dak  
13 January 41

Dear [redacted]

I am very happy to have your recommendation for the job of organizing the Veteran Conference, and I want very much to accept it.

Unfortunately there is no mail delivery on Sunday, and I did not receive your letter until today. Do I understand that you wanted me to see you this morning Monday morning, the 20th?

mean the latter, I will be in ice on the morning of the 20th. or mean that you want me to

have to decline. As I explained to you last week-end, I am involved in personal affairs here resulting from my father's recent death. By the end of this week I should have things in such order that

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CHARLES-ROBERT  
5' 11 $\frac{1}{2}$ "  
170 lbs.  
Medium build

# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA**

**ST. P**

FILE NO. **100-6539**

REPORT MADE AT <b>ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>6/10/49</b>	CLASSIFIED BY <b>6/3/67/49</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>FRANCIS D. CONNERS</b>
TITLE <b>CHARLES DENNISON ROWLAND, was. Charles Roland, Charles Rolland, Chuck</b>		CHARACTER OF CASE <b>INTERNAL SECURITY</b>	
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Subject believed to be presently residing at 533 South Manhattan Place, Los Angeles 5, California. Formerly employed by the Minnesota chapter of the AYD, now dissolved, and held position of Executive Secretary. Subject in constant contact with officials of the Communist Party, District 9, and was member of various committees in connection with AYD activities and WALLACE campaign. Subject is member of Civil Rights Congress and subscribes to the "Worker" and "Daily Worker." Authored various telegrams on behalf of AYD and members regarding International Youth Conference and sent to State Department protesting Mundt-Nixon Bill. Subject left Minneapolis around March 1, 1949, to seek employment in California. Physical description set out.			
REFERENCE: Bureau file Number 100-355009. Report of Special Agent [redacted] St. Paul, dated May 14, 1948.			
DETAILS: On March 11, 1948, the subject contacted ROGER RUTCHICK regarding RUTCHICK's interest in the Progressive Youth Movement in Minnesota. Subject, as Executive Secretary of the American Youth for Democracy, forwarded two pieces of literature to RUTCHICK entitled "Fight for Peace" and "Hope of the Future," according to [redacted]. RUTCHICK is known to be in frequent contact with local Communist leaders and is allegedly a Communist.			
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[redacted] informed that on May 22, 1948, subject wired Senators JOSEPH BAIL and EDWARD THYE on behalf of the AYD urging the senators to fight and vote against the Mundt Bill. [redacted] further advised that on May 27, 1948, a night letter was sent to [redacted] stating "The following University of Minnesota organizations sponsor and endorse your testimony opposition to Mundt Bill before Senate Judiciary Committee." There were numerous organizations then listed in the night letter, among them the AYD, Local Chapter of the Civil Rights Congress, Minneapolis Youth for Wallace Clubs, and Students for Wallace. The night letter was signed by the subject. (S)

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[redacted] informed that on June 3, 1948, subject had a conversation with ROSE TILLOTSON, Treasurer of the Communist Party District Nine regarding a meeting to be held that night. TILLOTSON told subject she would bring literature to the meeting on the Palmer Raids, a few copies of "Notes on the Gallows", a few copies of "Masses and Main Stream", and some pamphlets. (S)

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Confidential Informant T-1 advised that on June 8, 1948, subject, in a discussion with IRENE PAUL, Executive Secretary of the Civil Rights Congress and a leading Minneapolis Communist, advised that he had some information which he thought the Civil Rights Congress could fight about. Subject then told of a Negro fellow named [redacted] who had been arrested by the Minneapolis Police Department for questioning on a robbery charge, who was finally held on a vagrancy charge, and who received a sentence of ninety days in the workhouse. Subject then stated to PAUL that [redacted] was a member of the Northside AYD, and they wanted to get some action on the matter. (S)

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[redacted] on June 14, 1948, reported that subject made arrangements to obtain a film entitled "Borderlines", which deals with racial prejudice. The film was to be shown at an AYD meeting. (S)

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Confidential Informant T-2 made available some records of the Civil Rights Congress which are maintained in the Library Book Shop, a Communist Party book store in Minneapolis. Subject's name and address with a notation "AYD" following appears on the records along with the names of [redacted] of the Communist Party District Nine, ROSE TILLOTSON, and [redacted], both known Communists. (S)

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Confidential Informant T-3 advised that on June 24, 1948, subject contacted [redacted] of the Farmers Union Grain Terminal, St. Paul, who identified himself as being on the Minnesota Committee for the International Conference of Farm and Working Youth. Subject explained the purpose of the Committee was to send a delegate to a convention of the International Conference of Farm and Working Youth to be held in Warsaw, Poland, in August. Subject attempted to solicit help from [redacted] and asked if he would serve on the committee. He mentioned other

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members as being [redacted] of the International Workers Association - CIO, [redacted] Minneapolis attorney, both of whom are believed to be Communists, and ELMER BENSON, former Minnesota Governor, who is believed to be a sympathizer. ~~(S)~~

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Confidential Informant T-4 advised that subject engaged in conversation with [redacted] farm relations expert in the Communist Party and [redacted] of the "Plainsman", an American Veterans Committee publication. Subject spoke of his Committee for the International Conference of Farm and Working Youth attempting to raise funds to send [redacted] to Warsaw to attend the conference there. Subject requested [redacted] to contact his friends in South Dakota and solicit substantial donations. [redacted] told subject he would do all he could and left a message with subject to be given to the "leadership" in Minneapolis. The message was relative to the situation in South Dakota with regard to the WALLACE campaign being in very bad shape. ~~(S)~~

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On July 10, 1948, according to [redacted], subject sent telegrams to Mr. JOHN J. SCANLON, Acting Chief, Passport Division, State Department, Washington, D. C., urging immediate issuance of passports to delegates of the AYD to attend the International Conference of Working Youth to be held in Warsaw. The telegram stated that they considered the denial of passports a violation of fundamental citizenship rights and a denial of American liberties for young American citizens. Subject sent one telegram in his name, identifying himself as Executive Secretary of the Minnesota AYD, and the other in the name of [redacted] of the Minnesota Youth for Wallace. ~~(S)~~

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Confidential Informant T-5 reported that on July 19, 1948, subject, in a conversation with [redacted], described as an AYD member of the National Headquarters in New York City, spoke of their problem in obtaining a passport for their delegate to attend the International Conference for Working Youth at Warsaw. Subject and [redacted] decided it would be a good plan to send numerous telegrams to Washington to effect the issuing of such passport. ~~(S)~~

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T-5 also advised that on that same date, a telegram was sent to Mr. SCANLON of the Passport Division of the State Department protesting the denial of the passport to [redacted], subject being one of thirty AYD members to sign the telegram. ~~(S)~~

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On July 20, 1948, according to [redacted], subject discussed the passport difficulties with [redacted] has been described as one of the most dangerous Communists in this district. ~~(S)~~

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[redacted] advised that subject participated in a meeting held at Communist Party Headquarters July 27, 1948. Others at the meeting included [redacted] and [redacted] of the Communist Party. ~~(S)~~

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The St. Paul "Pioneer Press" in an article dated July 24, 1948, related that subject declared the arrest of the twelve Communist Party leaders "another step toward Nazification of our beloved country and liberty-loving people." The paper described the above as being a joint statement of subject and [redacted] Negro Communist in Minneapolis. b6 b7C

On July 30, 1948, [redacted] advised that subject contacted [redacted] and [redacted] stated that the Executive meeting had been postponed until a later date. She said that it would be held at her own home. This was believed to be a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Youth for Wallace Movement. b2 b6 b7C

[redacted] stated that [redacted] also spoke to subject regarding a speech he was to make at some classes of the AYD, which classes subject had arranged. b2 b6 b7C

Confidential Informant T-6 informed that on August 17, 1948, subject and [redacted] made arrangements to get together to discuss the Youth for Wallace encampment. They also planned a meeting at a later date with ORVILLE OLSON, believed to be a secret member of the Communist Party, regarding the Youth for Wallace program. b6 b7C

On August 26, 1948, according to [redacted] subject, [redacted] and [redacted] were in conference with [redacted] and [redacted] at the Communist Party Headquarters. b2 b6 b7C

According to [redacted], a meeting was held at Communist Party Headquarters on September 8, 1948, with subject, [redacted], MARTIN MACKLE, Chairman, [redacted], and [redacted], all of the Communist Party. At the meeting, subject gave a brief report on a school held by the Party recently, and the others all entered into a discussion regarding the AYD. [redacted] in his speech, mentioned the subject of paying for leadership and mentioned that subject had been employed by the AYD, and the organization is now hardly able to pay for his services. b2 b6 b7C

Confidential Informant T-7, on October 19, 1948, said that subject gave information to [redacted] regarding the attendance of the Young Progressives of America delegates at Governor YOUNGDAHL's State Conference on Youth which was held at the Hotel Lowry, St. Paul, on October 18 and 19, 1948. The information was a statement to be used as a press release. In substance, the statement expressed their pleasure in being represented at the conference and the fact that they were fully in accord with the conference's devotion to the youth problem. b6 b7C

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In the statement, they criticized the conference, saying it was not on the youth level and expressed the viewpoint of adults who work with youth. Continuing the criticism of the conference, the statement said the YPA "looks forward to the calling of a genuine youth conference by a board organizing committee of youth themselves. We in the YPA regard the character of the Governor's conference an affront to the youth of Minnesota." Subject suggested that [ ] go over the statement in detail with ORVILLE OLSON before releasing it to the press. ~~(X)~~

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On December 9, 1948, Confidential Informant T-8 made available to Special Agent GLEN R. DORNFELD photographs of members of the Minneapolis Chapter of the Civil Rights Congress who were picketing the Federal Courts Building in Minneapolis, protesting the indictment of leading Communists in New York. Subject was one of the pickets involved.

[ ] remarked that on December 20, 1948, subject and [ ] were discussing a Party paper which was to be issued and the need of a story under the title "How We Beat ROTC." Subject advised [ ] that he had attempted to get this story but had not been successful to date. ~~(X)~~

An issue of the "Worker" dated January 2, 1949, carried an article saying that suit had been brought against Charlie's Cafe in Minneapolis because subject and [ ] a Negro leader in the AYD and YPA, were refused service.

Confidential Informant T-9 on January 6, 1949, advised that [ ] a white girl, was associating with [ ] a Negro Communist and AYD member, and stated that [ ] had admitted that she had visited subject in the company of [ ] on several occasions at the subject's home. T-9 furnished the following documents, which the informant obtained from [ ] who, in turn, is believed to have secured them from the subject and [ ]: "The Teachings of Karl Marx" by V. I. LENIN, "State and Revolution" by V. I. LENIN, and "For a Lasting Peace for a Peoples Democracy." This last document was dated November 15, 1948, and identified itself as the Bucharest organ of the Information Bureau of the Communist and Workers Party. T-9 also made available [ ] membership card in the Young Progressives of America, which card identified [ ] as a member of the University of Minnesota Chapter. T-9 was of the opinion that the subject issued the card to [ ]. ~~(X)~~

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[ ] advised on January 10, 1949, that subject attended a dinner sponsored by the Civil Rights Congress on December 21, 1948, at the Phyllis Wheatley House. The informant stated that GIL GREEN, one of the Communist leaders presently on trial, was the guest speaker. He was very bitter and profane in his denunciation of the coming trials, according to the informant. ~~(S)~~

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[ ] reported that at a meeting at Communist Party Headquarters on January 15, 1949, a discussion regarding subscriptions to the "Worker" was had between [ ] MARTIN MACKIE, and [ ], a Negro Communist. In the discussion, it was mentioned that subject was credited with obtaining three subscribers. ~~(S)~~

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The "Minneapolis Sunday Tribune" on January 16, 1949, carried an article saying that the AYD in Minnesota was disbanding. The article referred to subject as making the announcement, and subject urged members to join the Young Progressives of America, which was described as an inter-racial organization, an offspring of the Progressive Party movement.

Confidential Informant T-10 made available on January 17, 1949, a list of subscribers to the "Worker" and "Daily Worker", which list was maintained in Headquarters in New York City. Subject's name appeared on Page 37 of the list. ~~(S)~~

[ ] reported on January 18, 1949, that subject turned in three subscriptions to the "Worker" to MARTIN MACKIE. ~~(S)~~

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On January 22, 1949, a farewell party was had celebrating the dissolution of the AYD. According to [ ], subject called the meeting to order and gave the introductory speech, his speech being "a review of the AYD." ~~(S)~~

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On February 2, 1949, [ ] made available a list of AYD members on the University of Minnesota campus and on the south side of Minneapolis. Subject's name appears on the list headed south side members. ~~(S)~~

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On February 15, 1949, Confidential Informant T-11 made available a copy of the sales ticket maintained in the records of the Library Book Shop. This sales ticket is dated January 8, 1949, and bears subject's name and an item listed for seven study series Number one. ~~(S)~~

[ ] advised on February 24, 1949, at a meeting, subject gave a short talk on the AYD and its dissolution. He gave a report of its outstanding bills. ~~(S)~~

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[ ] advised on May 26, 1949, that subject had accompanied [ ] to California to seek employment. The informant did not know the exact whereabouts of subject in California. ~~(S)~~

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Confidential Informant T-12 advised on June 4, 1949, that subject had contacted his mother and given his address as 533 South Manhattan Place, Los Angeles 5, California.

The following is the description of subject: He has FBI Number 5085792.

Name	CHARLES DENNISON ROWLAND, was.
Date of Birth	August 24, 1927, Gary, South Dakota
Race	White
Height	5' 11 1/2"
Weight	170
Hair	Brown
Eyes	Hazel
Build	Medium
Sex	Male
Characteristics	Wears glasses; effeminate
Complexion	Ruddy
Physical Defects	Near sighted (stigmatism); chronic throat disorder
SSN	474-12-9224
Military Record	ASN 37455297; served in U.S. Army from December 30, 1942, to March 7, 1946
Occupation	Stenographer; teacher; was Executive Secretary, AYD, Minnesota Chapter, now dissolved.
Relatives	Mother: Mrs. BIRDIE E. ROWLAND; Box 210, Gary, South Dakota.

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THE LOS ANGELES OFFICE

At Los Angeles, California.

Will verify subject's residence at 533 South Manhattan Place and attempt to ascertain subject's present employment.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **ST. PAUL**

FILE NO. **100-30913**

REPORT MADE AT <b>LOS ANGELES</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>7/19/49</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>6/2, 3, 7, 10, 16/49</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>JAT</b>
TITLE <b>CHARLES DENNISON ROWLAND, was Charles Roland, Charles Rolland, "Chuck"</b>		CHARACTER OF CASE <b>INTERNAL SECURITY - C</b>	
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: <p>Subject is presently residing at 533 South Manhattan Place, L.A., Calif. with [redacted]. Subject is employed by the <b>RONNEY &amp; SONS Mfg. Co., 1531 E. 20th Street, L. A.</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">RUC</p> <p>REFERENCE: Bureau file 100-355009. Report of Special Agent FRANCIS D. CONNERS, St. Paul, 6/10/49.</p> <p>DETAILS: The Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company's Los Angeles Telephone Directory dated February, 1949, lists a <b>MARY LEE RESIDENCE FOR GIRLS</b> at 533 South Manhattan Place, Los Angeles, California, telephone DRexel 9145.</p> <p>A discreet inquiry made at 533 South Manhattan Place revealed that there were many young men, residing at 533 South Manhattan Place, as it is a rooming house.</p> <p>A pretext telephone call made to 533 South Manhattan Place, reflected that a <b>CHARLES ROWLAND</b>, [redacted] and another young man, have recently moved there from somewhere in Minnesota. It was also learned that <b>CHARLES ROWLAND</b> was believed to be employed by a <b>RONNEY FURNITURE Co.</b> in Los Angeles, California.</p> <p>COPIES DESTROYED R472 OCT 29 1962</p> <p>A pretext telephone call made to the <b>RONNEY and SON FURNITURE Mfg. Co.,</b> at 1531 East 20th Street, Los Angeles, California, verified the fact that a <b>CHARLES ROWLAND</b> has been recently employed by them.</p>			
APPROVED AND FORWARDED <i>R. D. J. [signature]</i>	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES	
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The records of the Los Angeles Police Department, the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Office and those of the Retail Merchants Credit Association for Los Angeles, contained no information concerning the subject.

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Mr. Nease  
Miss Gandy

100-355009

Special Agent in Charge

St Paul, Minn.

RE: SECURITY MATTER

Dear Sir:

Please be advised that a security index card has been prepared at the Bureau, captioned as follows:

ROWLAND, CHARLES DENNISON

NATIVE BORN

COMMUNIST

Aliases: Charles Roland,  
Charles Rolland, "Chuck"

Res. Address: Apartment 3, 303 Aurora Avenue,  
St. Paul, Minnesota

Bus. Address: Is executive secretary of Minnesota organization  
of American Youth for Democracy, Room 8,  
1607 Nicollet Avenue,  
Minneapolis, Minnesota.

The above caption should be checked immediately for accuracy against the information contained in your files, and the Bureau should be informed of any discrepancies. You will prepare without delay a 5" x 8" white card captioned as above and reflecting your investigative case file number for filing in your Confidential Security Index Card File. In the event the above caption is not correct, the card you prepare should be correctly captioned, and the Bureau should be informed of the correct caption.

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MAILED  
JUL 23 1948 P.M.  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover  
Director

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(X) [ ] on November 15, 1948, identified subject as being in attendance at the State Convention of the Communist Party which was held in Minneapolis on July 18, 1948. (X)

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INFORMANT SHEET

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Highly confidential source in [redacted]

[redacted] known to Special Agents  
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[redacted], whose daughter's name is [redacted]

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New York City Informant [redacted]

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Highly confidential source in [redacted]

[redacted], known to Special Agent [redacted]

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Confidential Informant T-9, on January 6, 1949, advised that her daughter, a white girl, was associating with [ ] and felt that she was being exposed to drugs and Communism. T-9 stated that her daughter admitted to her that she had visited subject on several occasions at his home with [ ]. T-9 furnished the following documents: "The Teachings of Carl Marx" by V. I. LENIN, "State and Revolution" by V. I. LENIN, and "For a Lasting Peace for a Peoples' Democracy". This last was dated November 15, 1948, and identified itself as the Bucharest organ of the Information Bureau of the Communist and Workers Party. In addition, T-9 turned over her daughter's membership card in the Young Progressives of America. This card identified her as a member of the University of Minnesota chapter. b6  
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T-1, T-3, T-4, T-5,  
T-6, and T-7

[redacted] - used to protect the informant

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Highly confidential source in [redacted]

[redacted] known to Special Agents  
and GALE F. LINDSEY.

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[redacted] who is the mother of  
[redacted]

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New York City Informant [redacted]

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[redacted] known to Special Agent [redacted]

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Re report of SA Francis D. Connelley, St. Paul dated June 10, 1949, page 5, which contains information in the last paragraph as furnished by Confidential Informant T-9. This paragraph should be rewritten so as to clarify the information set forth therein. In relating this paragraph, information identifying the informant's daughter should be omitted to more adequately protect the informant. It is not quite clear upon reading this paragraph whether or not the material furnished by this informant was obtained by her daughter from the subject or some other source.

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United States Department of Justice

Federal Bureau of Investigation

404 New York Building

St. Paul 1, Minnesota

August 1, 1949

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FILE NO. 100-6539

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Director, FBI

Re: CHARLES DENNISON ROWLAND, was.  
INTERNAL SECURITY - C  
Bureau File Number 100-355009  
Los Angeles File Number 100-30913

Dear Sir:

The captioned individual, the subject of a Security Index card heretofore maintained at this office, has moved to an address within another Field Division. The Bureau is requested to correct the Security Index card maintained at the Seat of Government, and the Field Division for which copies hereof are designated below is requested to prepare for inclusion in its Security Index card file a Security Index card captioned as follows and bearing the appropriate case file number:

ROWLAND, CHARLES DENNISON, was.

NATIVE BORN

COMMUNIST

Charles Roland

Charles Rolland; "Chuck"

533 So. Manhattan Place  
Los Angeles, Calif. (Residence)

Ronney and Son Furniture Mfg. Co.  
1531 East 20th St.  
Los Angeles, Calif. (Business)

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The following copies of serials containing important information concerning the subject are being forwarded to the Field Division covering subject's new address, together with its copies of this letter:

Report of SA [redacted], dated May 14, 1948, at St. Paul.

Report of SA [redacted], dated April 9, 1948, at St. Louis.

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Note:

A photograph and handwriting specimens of the subject were forwarded to the Bureau by memorandum dated 5/14/48 for inclusion in the National Security File.

A stop has not been placed against the subject's record in the Identification Division.

In view of the fact that the Los Angeles Field Division has verified the present residence of the subject in its Division, this office is considering Los Angeles as the new office of origin, and this case is being RUC'd to that office with the submission of this communication.

ROL:DS

cc: 100-1878-SO

cc: Los Angeles

Field Division (Enc.)

Very truly yours,

SAC M. B. Rhodes

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TO: Director, FBI  
 FROM: SAC, St. Paul

DATE: September 23, 1949

SUBJECT: CHARLES DENNISON ROWLAND, was.  
 INTERNAL SECURITY - C  
 (Burfile #100-355009)

ReBurlet to St. Paul dated 8/31/49.

Enclosed herewith are corrected pages for the report of SA  
 FRANCIS D. CONNERS dated June 10, 1949, at St. Paul, Minnesota,  
 as requested in referenced memo.

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 cc: Los Angeles (Encl.)

Enclosure (Pages 5 and 9)

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TO : Director, FBI

DATE: February 8, 1950

FROM : *B. H. SAC*, Los AngelesSUBJECT: CHARLES DENNISON ROWLAND, was.  
SECURITY MATTER - C*Deceased MOC 10-1  
3-8-50 RH*

----- It is recommended that a Security Index Card be prepared on the above captioned individual.

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DATE OF BIRTH \_\_\_\_\_ PLACE OF BIRTH \_\_\_\_\_

RESIDENCE ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

BUSINESS ADDRESS (Show name of employing concern and address) \_\_\_\_\_

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TO : Director, FBI

DATE: November 15, 1950

FROM : SAC, Los Angeles

SUBJECT: CHARLES DENNISON ROWLAND, was. *Card NOT*  
SECURITY MATTER - C  
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DATE OF BIRTH \_\_\_\_\_ PLACE OF BIRTH \_\_\_\_\_

RESIDENCE ADDRESS 171 South Hoover Street, Los Angeles, California

BUSINESS ADDRESS (Show name of employing concern and address) *Clerical;*  
Morris Furniture Manufacturing Company, Incorporated, 4433 South Alameda  
Street, Los Angeles, California

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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT LOS ANGELES

FILE NO. 100-30913

REPORT MADE AT <b>LOS ANGELES</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>5/10/51</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>8/31; 9/14, 27; 11/6, 10/50; 1/3, 16; 2/28; 3/1, 2, 5, 5/3, 4, 8/51</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>[REDACTED]</b> <b>JER</b>
TITLE <b>CHARLES DENNISON ROWLAND; was.</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>SECURITY MATTER - C</b>

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:** Subject resides at 171 South Hoover St., Los Angeles; employed as a clerk for Morris Furniture Manufacturing Co., Inc., 4433 South Alameda, Los Angeles. Registered 3/1/50 indicating intention to affiliate with Independent Progressive Party. No known Communist Party activity since arrival in Los Angeles area. Subject unknown to informants.

## DETAILS:

### PERSONAL HISTORY

#### Address

T-1, of known reliability, advised on February 28, 1951, that the subject was still residing at 171 South Hoover Street, Los Angeles, a rooming house.

On August 31, 1950, [REDACTED] 533 South Manhattan Place, Los Angeles, advised that CHARLES D. ROWLAND, [REDACTED] and ROBERT HULL resided in her rooming house.

#### Employment

R-472 OCT 29 1952 T-2, of known reliability, advised on March 1, 1951, that the subject is presently employed as a Clerk at the Morris

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Furniture Manufacturing Company, Incorporated, 4433 South Alameda, Los Angeles.

On September 14, 1950, [redacted] Elster's Home Appliance and Store Fixtures, 115 South Los Angeles Street, Los Angeles, made available the employment record for subject, which reflected that he was employed by this concern on March 15, 1950, as an Advertising Layout Man. [redacted] stated that on about July 15, 1950, ROWLAND left this employment voluntarily, stating that he was returning to the residence of his mother in South Dakota inasmuch as she was critically ill. During his absence he wrote to [redacted] advising that she had recovered from her illness and that he was returning to Los Angeles and desired re-employment. [redacted] advised that the subject appeared at his place of business on September 14, 1950, in an effort to get back his old job, however, [redacted] stated that there was no position open for the subject at that time.

T-3, of unknown reliability, a self-admitted member of the Communist Party and former close associate of the subject, acting in a totally unsolicited manner, voluntarily advised that the subject had been employed by the Morris Furniture Manufacturing Company, Incorporated, during the week of November 7, 1950.

#### Military Service

Records of Elster's Home Appliance Company reflect that the subject was in the United States Army from December 1942, until March, 1946. On this employment record the subject stated that he was Chief Education and Information Instructor, and that he received an honorable discharge.

#### Background

On November 6, 1950, T-3 voluntarily advised this office that he had been closely associated with the subject since about March of 1950. He stated that the subject resided in a rooming house with one ROBERT HULL and [redacted]. T-3 further stated that he himself had been discharged from the U. S. Army in December, 1947, as a psychoneurotic, the basis of this discharge being that he was a homosexual. T-3 stated that the subject, ROBERT HULL, and [redacted] were also homosexuals.

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Identification Record

There is no record for the subject at the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Office or at the Los Angeles Police Department.

ACTIVITIES

Communist Party

The following informants, all of known reliability, advised on the following dates that they have no information concerning the subject:

<u>Informant</u>	<u>Date</u>
T-4, who is generally cognizant of Communist Party front activities in the area in which the subject resides.	5/4/51
T-5, who is cognizant generally of Communist Party activity in Los Angeles County.	3/5/51
T-6, who is generally cognizant of Communist Party activities in Los Angeles County.	3/5/51
T-7, who is cognizant generally of Communist Party activities in the area in which the subject resides.	5/3/51
T-8, who is acquainted generally with Communist Party activity in the vicinity of the subject's residence.	4/30/51

Miscellaneous

Records at the Los Angeles County Registrar of Voters reflect that CHARLES D. ROWLAND, 533 South Manhattan Place, Los Angeles 5, registered on March 1, 1950, indicating his intention to affiliate himself with the Independent Progressive Party in the ensuing general election. This record further reflects that ROWLAND was born in South Dakota, that he is 5' 11½" tall, and listed his occupation as teacher.

T-5, of known reliability, advised on January 31, 1951, that the Independent Progressive Party in Los Angeles County is under the complete control of the Communist Party.

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The Communist Party sets the organizational goals of the Independent Progressive Party, lays down its perspectives, organizes its forces, proposes its levels of organization, and assigns its leadership.

T-9, of known reliability, advised on June 26, 1950, that in the Midtown Division of the Communist Party, the Communist Party is using the Independent Progressive Party to put over its program to the general Communist Party membership and the general public because of recent national and local legislation affecting the Communist Party. Mere membership in the organization, however, does not, of itself, indicate Communist Party membership on the part of any particular member.

It is noted that 171 South Hoover Street, Los Angeles, comes within the area included in the Midtown Division of the Los Angeles County Communist Party.

#### DESCRIPTION

The following additional descriptive data was obtained from the files of Elster's Home Appliance Company, Los Angeles, concerning CHARLES DENNISON ROWLAND, the subject:

Social Security No.	474-12-9224
Marital Status:	Single
Peculiarities:	Wears heavy horn-rimmed glasses; limited flexion right knee
Dress:	Natty (Hollywood style)
Mother:	Mrs. W. J. ROWLAND, Gary, South Dakota
Education:	8 years, Gary, South Dakota, Public School, left 1931 4 years, Gary, South Dakota, High School, left 1935 1 1/2 years University of Minnesota, left 1940 3/4 year, Minnesota School of Business, Minneapolis, left 1941
Foreign Language:	Speaks German fluently.

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Records of the Los Angeles Police Department, and Los Angeles County Sheriff's Office were reviewed by SE [redacted] on March 2, 1951.

Records of the Retail Merchants Credit Association, Los Angeles, were reviewed by SE [redacted] on March 5, 1951. Records of the Los Angeles County Registrar of Voters were reviewed by the writer on May 8, 1951.

In view of subject's previous military service in the U. S. Army, EFC No. 2, Fort MacArthur, California, was advised of the subject's past Communist Party activity by letter dated May 4, 1951.

In view of the subject's past Communist Party activity while residing in Minnesota, it is recommended that the security index card for the subject be retained at this time.

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Source T-1: A pretext telephone call by the writer to [redacted] of the rooming house at 171 South Hoover, Los Angeles, on 2/28/51.

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T-2: Pretext telephone call by the writer to the Morris Furniture Manufacturing Co., Inc., Los Angeles, on 3/1/51.

T-3: *See later Dec* [redacted] Frederick C. Price, who voluntarily appeared at this office on 8/31/50 at which time he advised SA ROBERT F. RYAN that he has been a close associate of the subject and that he joined the Los Angeles County Communist Party on 6/30/50, having been sponsored by ROBERT HULL, a roommate of the subject. [redacted] again voluntarily appeared at this office on 11/6/50 at which time he furnished information to SA JOHN R. HIGGINS, JR.

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T-4: [redacted] who advised SA H. EDWARD WHITE on 5/4/51.

T-5: [redacted] who advised SA H. RAWLINS OVERTON on 1/31/51 and 3/5/51.

T-6: [redacted] who advised SA WILLIAM J. NOLAN, JR. on 3/5/51.

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T-7: [redacted] who advised SA WILLIAM J. NOLAN, JR. on 5/3/51.

T-8: [redacted] who advised SA [redacted] on 4/30/51.

T-9: [redacted] who advised SA [redacted] on 6/26/50.

## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI (100-355009)

FROM : SAC, Los Angeles (100-30913)

SUBJECT: CHARLES DENNISON ROWLAND, was  
SECURITY MATTER - C

DATE: November 19, 1951

Card U.T.D.  
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BUSINESS ADDRESS (Show name of employing concern and address) \_\_\_\_\_

NATURE OF INDUSTRY OR BUSINESS (Specify from Vital Facility List) \_\_\_\_\_

RESIDENCE ADDRESS 10102 Gard Avenue, Whittier, California

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TO : Director, FBI (100-355009)

DATE: January 4, 1952

FROM : SAC, Los Angeles (100-30913)

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SUBJECT: CHARLES DENNISON ROWLAND, was  
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TO : Director, FBI (100-355009)  
FROM : SAC, Los Angeles (100-30913)  
SUBJECT: CHARLES DENNISON ROWLAND, was  
SECURITY MATTER - C

DATE: May 19, 1952

Card U.T.D.

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NATIVE BORN \_\_\_\_\_ NATURALIZED \_\_\_\_\_ ALIEN \_\_\_\_\_

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DATE OF BIRTH \_\_\_\_\_ PLACE OF BIRTH \_\_\_\_\_

BUSINESS ADDRESS (Show name of employing concern and address) \_\_\_\_\_

NATURE OF INDUSTRY OR BUSINESS (Specify from Vital Facility List) \_\_\_\_\_

RESIDENCE ADDRESS 11506 East Devenrich Street, Norwalk, California

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Director, FBI

SAC, Los Angeles

~~SECURITY INFORMATION - CONFIDENTIAL~~

ROBERT BOOTH HULL (LA file 100-31390)  
SECURITY MATTER <sup>DC</sup>;  
~~CHARLES DENNISON ROWLAND~~ (Bufile 100-355009)  
SECURITY MATTER - C (LA file 100-30913)

Rereps of SA [redacted] dated July 16, and 17, 1952  
at Los Angeles captioned as above of which five copies of each are  
enclosed. *9-1* *encl*

ROBERT BOOTH HULL, a Security Matter - C subject and CHARLES  
DENNISON ROWLAND, an SI subject, are currently residing together at 11506  
East Davenrich Street, Norwalk, California.

*you*  
These individuals have both been described in the past as  
being homo-sexuals.

The following information in the Los Angeles Division files  
concerning ROBERT BOOTH HULL is set out:

HULL, single, and chemist by occupation, is presently employed  
in the laboratory at the California Flax Seed Products Company, 3135  
East 26th Street, Vernon, California. Subject is of the white race.  
Subject HULL was reported by informants as being a Communist Party  
member while he resided in Minneapolis, Minnesota in July, 1948.  
In 1948 informants of the Minneapolis Division connected subject with  
the American Youth for Democracy organization. HULL in March, 1948  
and December, 1948 was associated with the Civil Rights Congress in  
Minneapolis, Minnesota.

In July, 1949 subject was assigned to the Midtown Division,  
LACCP from Minneapolis, Minnesota in May, 1950. HULL was a member of  
the South Tashjian Club, Midtown Division, LACCP. Subject in May,  
1950 was Press Director of this club and continued in this position  
until June 29, 1950, at which time he was appointed as Organizational  
Secretary. From May 10, 1950 to July 5, 1950 HULL attended five Communist  
Party meetings.

Subject, according to [redacted] was expelled from the LACCP  
sometime during the summer of 1950 on a charge of being a homo-sexual.

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In 1950 subject was connected with the Hollywood Arts, Sciences and Professions and in September, 1951 he was reported as a member of this organization.

Frederick C. Price, Los Angeles file 100-32434, of unknown reliability, appeared voluntarily at the Los Angeles Division on August 31, 1950 to put himself on record as having disassociated himself with the Civil Rights Congress, the Communist Party of Los Angeles County, and the California Labor School. Price stated that subject ROBERT HULL sponsored him into the Communist Party on June 30, 1950. [See Hull f.b.]  
[redacted] also advised that subject was a homo-sexual.

There is no further information concerning HULL in the files of the Los Angeles Division other than stated above.

The files of the Los Angeles Division contain the following information regarding subject CHARLES DENNISON ROWLAND:

Subject is currently being maintained on the Security Index of this office. ROWLAND currently is residing with HULL, is single and employed as a clerk at the Morris Furniture Manufacturing Company, 4433 South Alameda, Los Angeles, California. He is of the white race. ROWLAND was inducted into the U.S. Army on December 22, 1942 at Fort Snelling, Minnesota. Subject's Army Serial No. is 37545297. He was honorably discharged March 7, 1946 as Staff Sergeant at Camp Grant, Illinois. During the time ROWLAND served with the Army his occupation was that of Educational Instructor.

Subject has FBI Identification No. 5085792.

Subject subsequent to his discharge from the U.S. Army returned to Gary, South Dakota and assumed the position of Field Secretary of the newspaper "The Plainsman", published by the American Veterans Committee.

In Minneapolis, Minnesota, subject in 1947 was placed on the Communist Party Veterans Commission and Youth Commission. He was also active in the American Veterans Commission and also was Minnesota State Executive Secretary of the American Youth for Democracy which sponsored the appearance of GERHART EISLER in Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Minneapolis informants state that subject in 1947 and 1948 was a member of the Communist Party in Minneapolis, Minnesota.

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In March, 1948 subject was reported to be Executive Secretary of the American Youth for Democracy in Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Subject in 1948 according to Minneapolis informants was in constant contact with officials of the Communist Party, District No. 9 and was a member of various committees in connection with American Youth for Democracy activities. Subject in July, 1948 in the capacity of Executive Secretary of the American Youth for Democracy at Minneapolis authorized various telegrams directed to the U.S. State Department urging immediate issuance of passports of the delegates of the American Youth for Democracy to attend the International Conference of working youth to be held in Warsaw.

Subject on January 1, 1948 attended a New Year's Eve party sponsored by the Student Section of the Communist Party in Minneapolis, Minnesota. In 1948 he attended meetings of the American Youth for Democracy and was also Minnesota State Chairman of this organization. ROWLAND in December, 1948 attended a meeting of the YPA on the campus of the University of Minnesota. In 1949 ROWLAND was a member of the AYD in Minneapolis, Minnesota and a subscriber to the "Daily Worker" and the "Worker".

ROWLAND left Minneapolis around March 1, 1949 to seek employment in California. On March 1, 1950, subject while registering to vote, stated his intention to affiliate with the Independent Progressive Party.

Informants of the Los Angeles Division, advised that they had no information to indicate that the subject was active in the LACCP. These informants covered Norwalk, California, subject residence, surrounding localities of Norwalk, California and Communist Party activity in Los Angeles County.

Inasmuch as informants have reported ROBERT BOOTH HULL was expelled from the LACCP and there has been no Communist activity on subject's part since July, 1950 with the exception of membership in the Hollywood Arts, Sciences and Professions in September, 1951, it is requested that Bureau authority be granted to interview HULL to ascertain any information he may possess concerning his past Communist Party activities.

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In view of ROWLAND's apparent inactivity in Communist Party activities since his arrival in Los Angeles from Minneapolis in 1949 with the exception of registering affiliation with the Independent Progressive Party, it is requested that Bureau authority be granted to interview him for any information he may possess concerning the Communist Party.

It is pointed out that both subjects have been reported in the past as being homo-sexuals.

In the event authority is granted to interview subjects it is also requested that should circumstances arise whereby both subjects are present at time of contact, Bureau permission is requested to interview them jointly.

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REPORT MADE AT LOS ANGELES	DATE WHEN MADE 7/17/52	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 6/20, 23-30 ; 7/14/52	REPORT MADE BY [REDACTED] AAD
TITLE CHARLES DENNISON ROWLAND, was.			CHARACTER OF CASE SECURITY MATTER - C

## SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Subject currently residing 11506 East Davenrich Street, Norwalk, California. Employed Morris Furniture Manufacturing Company, 4433 South Alameda, Los Angeles, California. T-2 reports subject as "sexually queer". ROWLAND reported by Minneapolis informants as being a Communist Party member in 1947 and 1948; attended a New Year's Eve party January 1, 1948 sponsored by Students Section of Communist Party in Minneapolis, Minnesota. Subject in November, 1947 and March, 1948 attended a party and meeting of the American Youth for Democracy in Minneapolis. In 1948 subject was State Chairman of the AYD in Minnesota. ROWLAND was State Executive Secretary of the AYD in Minneapolis, which sponsored the appearance of GERHART EISLER on December 7, 1947. Attended meeting in December, 1948 of YPA in Minneapolis, Minnesota.

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## DETAILS:

All informants in this report are shown by T-symbol and are of known reliability unless otherwise indicated.

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I. BACKGROUND

A. Identification Record:

Los Angeles Police Dept. and  
Los Angeles County Sheriff's  
Office

Files of the Los Angeles Police Dept.  
and County Sheriff's Office as checked  
by SE [redacted] on June 26, 1952,  
failed to reflect an identification  
record for subject.

B. Employment:

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Subject is currently employed in a  
clerical position at the Morris  
Furniture Manufacturing Company, 4433  
South Alameda, Los Angeles, California.

C. Residence:

T-2, of unknown reliability,  
an acquaintance of subject.

Subject is presently residing at 11506  
East Davenrich Street, Norwalk, Calif.  
with ROBERT BOOTH HULL.

T-3 [Price]

ROBERT BOOTH HULL was expelled from the  
Los Angeles County Communist Party  
sometime during the summer of 1950 on  
a charge of being a homo-sexual.

D. Health:

T-2

In June, 1952 it was the opinion of  
informant, along with many individuals  
in the area where subject resides, that  
subject and HULL were "sexually queer".

II. CONNECTION WITH THE  
COMMUNIST PARTY

A. Membership in the Communist Party:

T-4, of unknown reliability,  
a former acquaintance of  
subject.

Informant advised in April, 1951  
that CHARLES ROWLAND stated in 1947  
that he was a Communist Party  
member and explained the party's  
position to informant in regard  
to the American Veterans Committee.

The third report of the Un-American Activities Committee in  
California, 1947, page 227 and 228, reflects that "The Hollywood Citizens  
News for October 24, 1946 quotes 'Political Affairs' (the ideological  
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of the aims of the Communist Party are set forth in the following language:  
....'high priority in the building of the progressive mass organizations  
must also be given to....determinedly building the American Veterans  
Committee'...."

T-5, of unknown reliability  
a former acquaintance of  
subject

Informant stated that subject attended  
a New Year's Eve party held January 1,  
1948 which was sponsored by the  
Student Section of the Communist Party  
in Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Subject was known to informant in  
1948 as a Communist Party member  
in Minneapolis, Minnesota.

ROWLAND was also a member of the  
Marxism-Socialism Club identified  
by informant as a youth group of the  
Communist Party, District No. 9, on  
the campus of the University of  
Minnesota, prior to 1950.

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The following informants, all of known reliability, advised on the following dates that they have no information concerning subject's Communist Party activities:

<u>Informant</u>	<u>Date</u>
T-6, who is generally cognizant of Communist Party activity in Los Angeles County.	April, 1951 to April, 1952.
T-7, who is acquainted with Communist Party activities in the general area where subject resides.	June 27, 1952
T-8 and T-9, who are generally familiar with Communist Party activities in the surrounding area resided in by subject.	June 27, 1952
T-10, who is cognizant of Communist Party activity in Norwalk, California.	June 26, 1952
T-11, who is familiar with activities of the Communist Party in the general area where subject resides.	June 27, 1952

III. ACTIVITIES OF SUBJECT  
WHICH INDICATE A FURTHERANCE  
OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY  
PROGRAM

A. American Youth for Democracy  
(referred to as AYD):

The AYD has been declared by the Attorney General of the United States as coming within the purview of Executive Order 9835.

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Subject in November, 1947 attended an AYD party which was sponsored by the Southside AYD in Minneapolis, Minn.

In March, 1948 subject was in attendance at an AYD meeting held at AYD headquarters 17th and Nicollet Avenues, Minneapolis, Minnesota. Informant stated the purpose of this meeting was to organize and recruit. ROWLAND at this meeting outlined the purposes of the AYD as "the fight for peace with Russia and against the war drive; the fight against Universal Military Training; the fight against white chauvinism; the fight for negro rights, and negro-white association and comradeship."

Subject in 1948 was State Chairman of the AYD in Minnesota.

T-12, of unknown reliability,  
a former associate of subject.

Informant advised that subject was the state leader of the AYD in Minnesota in 1947.

The December 10, 1947 edition of "The Minneapolis Daily Times", a daily newspaper in Minneapolis, Minnesota, reflected that CHARLES ROWLAND, State Executive Secretary of the AYD, was chairman of the meeting which sponsored the Minneapolis appearance of GERHART EISLER on December 7, 1947.

Officials of Immigration and Naturalization Service, New York City, arrested EISLER for advocating the overthrow of the Government and affiliating with organizations so advocating within the meaning of the Subversives Act of October 16, 1918.

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B. Young Progressives of America  
(referred to as YPA):

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Informant advised that while the YPA is not a Communist dominated organization, it receives support of the Communist Party and consists of both Communist and non-Communist youth.

T-5

Subject was in attendance at a YPA meeting on the campus of the University of Minnesota in December, 1948.

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ROBERT BOOTH HULL, who resides with subject, is currently the subject of a Security Matter - C investigation, Los Angeles file 100-31390.

It should be noted that the Communist Party information set out in the details of this report was received subsequent to the last report concerning subject. This information was received in Minneapolis letter to Los Angeles dated April 14, 1952.

Subject CHARLES DENNISON ROWLAND is presently carried on the Security Index of the Los Angeles Office.

Inasmuch as informants in the Los Angeles Division failed to report any Communist Party activity regarding subject since his arrival in Los Angeles, it is requested that Bureau authority be granted to interview subject.

A cover letter is accompanying reports on HULL and ROWLAND setting forth pertinent information concerning Communist Party activities on the part of these individuals.

LEADS:

THE LOS ANGELES DIVISION

At Los Angeles, California: Will upon Bureau authority, interview subject and thereafter report results.

INFORMANTS:

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Pretext telephone call to subject's employment by SA [ ] on 6/26/52.

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T-2

[ ], a neighbor of subject, [ ], who furnished information orally to SA [ ] on 6/20/52. [ ] name being concealed upon request.

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- T-3 [redacted], who furnished information to SA [redacted] on 1/4/51. Located in 66-2828A-29 (written).
- T-4 [redacted], who voluntarily contacted the Minneapolis Division on 4/15/51 and orally furnished information to SA GORDON B. PLAYMAN concerning his activities in the WALLACE for President movement and his general knowledge of the Communist Party membership in Minneapolis, Minnesota. Located Minneapolis file 100-6445.
- T-5 [redacted], who was interviewed on 3/22/52 by SA [redacted] and orally furnished a volume of information concerning Communist Party activity in Minnesota from 1948 to July, 1951. [redacted] name being concealed for reasons of office security. Located in Minneapolis file 100-7035.
- T-6 [redacted], who furnished information to SA [redacted] from April, 1951 to April, 1952.
- T-7 [redacted], who furnished information to SA EMERY D. TURNER on 6/27/52, orally.
- T-8 [redacted], who furnished information to SA [redacted] orally on 6/27/52.
- T-9 [redacted], who furnished information orally to SA [redacted] on 6/27/52.
- T-10 [redacted], who furnished information orally to SA WILLIAM JOHN NOLAN, JR. on 6/26/52.
- T-11 [redacted], who furnished information orally to SA RICHARD J. NELSON on 6/27/52.
- T-12 [redacted], who was interviewed by SAs [redacted] and GORDON B. PLAYMAN and orally furnished information concerning Communist Party activity while a student at the University of Minnesota in the fall quarter of 1947 to April or May, 1949, at which time he was ousted from party membership. [redacted] name is being concealed for reasons of office security. Located in Minneapolis file 100-6445.

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[redacted] from Bureau Thumbnails Dec. 17, 1951.

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REFERENCE:

Report of SA [redacted] dated 5/10/51 at Los Angeles  
captioned CHARLES DENNISON ROWLAND, wa. SECURITY MATTER - C.  
Minneapolis letter to Los Angeles dated 4/14/52.  
Report of SA [redacted] dated  
at Los Angeles captioned ROBERT BOOTH HULL, SECURITY MATTER - C...

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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:  <p><i>g/w</i> <i>9/24/52</i> <i>g/h</i></p> <p>Subject presently residing 11506 East Davenrich Street, Norwalk, California; employed at Morris Furniture Company, 4433 South Alameda, Los Angeles, California. ROWLAND interviewed on August 20, 1952 at residence. Results of interview set out.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">- C -</p>			
DETAILS:  <p style="text-align: center;"><u>PERSONAL HISTORY</u></p> <p><u>Residence</u></p> <p>Subject stated upon interview on August 20, 1952 that he resides at 11506 East Davenrich Street, Norwalk, California.</p> <p><u>Employment</u></p> <p>T-1, of known reliability</p> <p>Subject is currently employed in a clerical position at the Morris Furniture Company, 4433 South Alameda, Los Angeles, California.</p>			
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~~SECURITY INFORMATION - CONFIDENTIAL~~RESULTS OF INTERVIEW

Subject, on August 20, 1952, was interviewed at his residence by SA [ ] and the writer.

ROWLAND stated to the interviewing agents at the front door of his residence that he was too busy to talk with the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Upon being informed that the interview need not take too long, the subject responded, "I have to mow my lawn. I have nothing to say to the FBI." After making this statement ROWLAND proceeded to his garage to obtain a lawnmower, and the interview was terminated.

DESCRIPTION

Subject, through observation by SA [ ] and the writer, is described as follows:

Height:	6' 1"
Weight:	170
Eyes:	Hazel
Build:	Medium
Sex:	Male
Hair:	Brown, cut short
Characteristics:	Wears glasses
Identifying marks:	Large tattoos on both arms.
Complexion:	Fair

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In view of the subject's uncooperative attitude at the present time, coupled with the fact that the subject in Minneapolis, Minnesota was a top functionary in the American Youth for Democracy and was a Communist Party member, it is felt that subject's sympathies still reside with the Communist movement. It is recommended that subject be retained on the Security Index.

[B.T not because he was gay]

INFORMANT

T-1 is a pretext telephone call to subject's employment on August 21, 1952 by SA [redacted].

REFERENCE

Report of SA [redacted] dated July 17, 1952 at Los Angeles.

Bureau letter dated August 12, 1952.

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SAC, Los Angeles (100-31390)  
(100-30913)

August 12, 1952

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CHARLES DENNISON ROWLAND  
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Reference reports of SA [redacted]  
dated July 16 and 17, 1952, and your letter dated  
July 17, 1952.

Bureau authority is granted to interview the  
subjects. In conducting these interviews you should be  
guided by existing Bureau instructions relating to  
interviews with security subjects.

Whether these interviews are conducted separately  
or jointly is being left to the discretion of the  
interviewing agents. The results of these interviews  
should be submitted to the Bureau in report form  
suitable for dissemination.

(Note on yellow only)

Rowland is SI subject. No activity since 1949.  
Hull is not an SI subject. Referenced letter summarizes  
activities. Subjects are residing together and allegedly  
homosexual.

Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
Ladd \_\_\_\_\_  
Nichols \_\_\_\_\_  
Belmont \_\_\_\_\_  
Clegg \_\_\_\_\_  
Glavin \_\_\_\_\_  
Harbo \_\_\_\_\_  
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Laughlin \_\_\_\_\_

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FROM : SAC, Los Angeles (100-30913)  
SUBJECT: CHARLES DENNISON ROWLAND, was.  
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DATE: November 25, 1952

Card U.T.D.

12-12-52 apc

It is recommended that a Security Index Card be prepared on the above-captioned individual.

The Security Index Card on the captioned individual should be changed as follows: (Specify change only)

**NAME:**

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COMMUNIST                      SOCIALIST WORKERS PARTY                      INDEPENDENT SOCIALIST LEAGUE

MISCELLANEOUS (Specify)

TAB FOR DETCOM	TAB FOR COMSAB	RACE	SEX

[illegible]

BUSINESS ADDRESS (Show name of employing concern and address)

NATURE OF INDUSTRY OR BUSINESS (Specify from Vital Facility List)

RESIDENCE ADDRESS 11506 East Davenrich Street, Norwalk, California

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TITLE CHARLES DENNISON ROWLAND, Was. Charles Roland, Charles Rolland			CHARACTER OF CASE SECURITY MATTER - C

## SUMMARY REPORT

ROWLAND active in the Communist Party in Minneapolis, 1947-1949; was active in Communist Party Veterans Commission and Youth Commission, Minneapolis. ROWLAND in 1948 was Executive Secretary, American Youth for Democracy, Minneapolis Chapter. ROWLAND subscribed to the "Worker" and "Daily Worker" in 1949 in Minneapolis. ROWLAND declared his intention to affiliate with the Independent Progressive Party in California in 1950. He was reportedly expelled from the Los Angeles County Communist Party in 1950. ROWLAND refused to discuss his activities in the Communist Party with Bureau Agents in August, 1952. He reportedly received the "National Guardian" in November, 1953.

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DETAILS

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BACKGROUND

BIRTH DATA

Records, Western Electric Company, Inc.  
St. Paul, Minnesota

ROLAND was born August 24, 1917, at Gary, South Dakota.

EDUCATION

Records, Western Electric Company, Inc.  
St. Paul, Minnesota

Public School, Gary, South Dakota  
(9/23-5/31)

Gary, South Dakota High School  
(1931-1935)

South Dakota State College

*BROOKINGS* Brookings, South Dakota  
(1935-1936)

Records, Elster Home Appliance  
Company  
115 South Los Angeles Street  
Los Angeles, California

University of Minnesota  
(4½ years to 1940)

Minnesota School of Business  
Minneapolis, Minnesota  
(3/4 of year, 1941)



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Records,  
Federal Records Center  
Demobilization Personnel Branch  
Adjutant General's Office  
St. Louis, Missouri

Michigan State College  
(7/12/43-10/11/43)

MARITAL STATUS

Records, Elster Home Appliance  
Company  
115 South Los Angeles Street  
Los Angeles, California

Single

MILITARY RECORD

Records, Federal Records Center  
St. Louis, Missouri

ROWLAND, ASN 37545297, was inducted October 22, 1942 at Ft. Snelling, Minnesota, and accepted for limited service due to insufficient vision. During his service ROWLAND attended Michigan State College, taking language study, area study and military science, and later attending an Army Personnel Service School at Lexington, Kentucky. ROWLAND was honorably discharged March 7, 1946 as a Staff Sergeant from Camp Grant, Illinois, by reason of demobilization, his occupation having been an educational instructor.

IDENTIFICATION RECORD

The Identification Division, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Washington, D.C., on February 12, 1952 reported the following identification record for ROWLAND, under FBI No. 5085792

<u>Contributor of Fingerprints</u>	<u>Name and Number</u>	<u>Arrested or Received</u>	<u>Charge</u>	<u>Disposition</u>
SOS, War Dept.	Charles Dennison Rowland, "27-SHW	Clerk 4-23-42	-----	-----
War Department Washington, D. C.	Charles Dennison Rowland #37545297	12-22-42 Ft. Snelling Minnesota	-----	-----

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EMPLOYMENT

[REDACTED]

MORRIS FURNITURE COMPANY  
4433 South Alameda Street  
Los Angeles, California  
As a Clerk  
(11/53-1/20/54)

T-1, T-2

MORRIS FURNITURE COMPANY  
4433 South Alameda Street  
Los Angeles, California  
As a Clerk  
(2/51-11/53)

[REDACTED], and  
Records, Elster Home Appliance  
Company  
Los Angeles, California

ELSTER HOME APPLIANCE AND  
STORE FIXTURES  
115 South Los Angeles Street  
Los Angeles, California  
As Advertising Lay-Out Man  
(3/15/50-7/50)

Trip to Gary, South Dakota  
and Rochester, Minnesota  
(About 7/50-9/50)

T-3

Unemployed (2/6/50)

T-4

RONNEY & SONS FURNITURE MANUFACTURING CO.  
1531 East 20th Street  
Los Angeles, California  
(5/49)

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[REDACTED], and  
Records, Elster Home Appliance  
Company  
Los Angeles, California

ALLIED STORE EQUIPMENT COMPANY  
224 North 7th Street  
Minneapolis, Minnesota  
(3/47-11/47)

American Veterans Committee  
Washington, D. C.  
(4/46-11/46)

U. S. Army  
Instructor  
(12/42-3/46)

Records, Western Electric Company  
St. Paul, Minnesota

ALABAM FREIGHT LINES  
Phoenix, Arizona  
As bailing clerk  
(10/1/42-12/15/42)

SHERWIN WILLIAMS COMPANY  
Linseed Oil Division  
24th Street and Cuyahoga  
Cleveland, Ohio  
(10/5/41-9/20/42)

Clerk at Father's Drug Store  
Gary, South Dakota  
(6/36-10/41)

RESIDENCE

[REDACTED]

11334 Cecelia  
Norwalk, California  
(11/53-1/20/54)

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T-1

11506 East Davenrich  
Norwalk, California  
(About 5/52-11/53)

T-1, T-2

10102 Gard Avenue  
South Whittier, California  
(2/10/51-5/52)

T-2

171 South Hoover Street  
Los Angeles, California  
(7/50-2/10/51)

[REDACTED], 533 South Manhattan Place  
Los Angeles, California

533 South Manhattan Place  
Los Angeles, California  
(1949 and 1950)

T-7

303 Aurora Avenue  
Apartment 3  
St. Paul, Minnesota  
(1948)

COMMUNIST PARTY (CP) ACTIVITIES

T-5

A meeting of the Youth Commission, CP, was held at CP headquarters in Minneapolis, Minnesota on February 3, 1947, at which [REDACTED] of the CP, stated the CP was conducting a drive during the next six months to build up the Party in Minneapolis. In connection with this, the Party was considering organizing with the clubs in Minneapolis to function with the American Youth for Democracy (AYD). At the meeting ROYLAND was suggested as one of the persons who would be active in forming such youth clubs.

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The AYD has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

On February 25, 1947 ROWLAND attended an Executive Committee meeting of the Youth Commission of the CP at CP headquarters and gave a report on "red baiting" by J. EDGAR HOOVER, Msgr. FULTON SHEEN, etc. At this meeting ROWLAND was made Educational Director of the Commission.

ROWLAND attended a leadership class meeting, CP, at CP headquarters February 27, 1947, the class discussion being led by [REDACTED] CP District 9.

On March 2, 1947 a Veterans Commission meeting of the CP was held at CP headquarters in Minneapolis and attended by [REDACTED] of the Veterans Committee, CP, MARTIN "ACKIE, Chairman CP District 9, and CHARLES ROWLAND. The discussion concerned the coming national elections of the American Veterans Committee. At this meeting ROWLAND was informed that he had been placed on the Veterans Commission of the CP.

On March 19, 1947 ROWLAND contacted [REDACTED], above described, and discussed the veterans activities of the CP in Minneapolis.

On March 23, 1947 ROWLAND attended a meeting of the Veterans Commission of the CP and made arrangements for a secret caucus of members of the American Veterans Committee in order to plan their strategy, name candidates, and draw up a platform for the National Convention.

On May 21, 1947 ROWLAND attended a committee meeting at CP headquarters in Minneapolis where considerable time was spent concerning qualifications for joining the CP.

T-6

On January 13, 1947 ROWLAND wrote a letter from Gary, South Dakota to [REDACTED], previously described, wherein he thanked [REDACTED] for recommending him for the position of organizing a Veterans Conference, and that he would be able to accept the position offered.

ROWLAND in June, 1947 was a member of the CP in Minnesota.

On March 23, 1947 LEONARD DICKINSON, representative in the Minnesota State Legislature from Bemidji, Minnesota, advised that he was the author of a bill to bar the CP from the ballot in Minnesota and that he had received a telegram requesting that the bill be voted down. This telegram was signed by eight persons, including ROWLAND.

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On June 3, 1948 ROWLAND was in contact with ROSE TILLOTSON, Treasurer, CP District 9, regarding a meeting to be held that night. They discussed literature to be presented to the meeting on the Palmer raids.

T-9

On July 27, 1948 ROWLAND attended a meeting held at CP headquarters.

The St Paul "Pioneer Press" in an article dated July 24, 1948, related that ROWLAND declared the arrest of the twelve CP leaders "another step towards Nazification of our beloved country and liberty-loving people". The paper described the above as a joint statement made by ROWLAND and another individual.

T-10

On August 26, 1948 ROWLAND attended a conference at CP headquarters with four others, among them [REDACTED].

On September 8, 1948 ROWLAND attended a meeting at CP headquarters and gave a brief report on a recent Party school.

T-11 identified ROWLAND as being in attendance at a State Convention of the CP held July 18, 1948 at Minneapolis.

T-20, of unknown reliability, a former acquaintance, advised that ROWLAND in 1947 said he, ROWLAND, was a CP member and explained the Party's position in regard to the American Veterans Committee.

The Third Report of the Un-American Activities Committee in California, 1947, Pages 227 and 228, reflects that "The Hollywood Citizens News" for October 24, 1946 quotes "Political Affairs" (the ideological publication of the Communist Party), formerly "The Communist", setting forth the current CP line. The editorial is as follows: ".....some of the aims of the Communist Party are set forth in the following language: '.....high priority in the building of the progressive mass organizations must also be given to .... determinedly building the American Veterans Committee'..."

T-21, of Unknown Reliability, a  
Former Acquaintance of ROWLAND

ROWLAND attended a New Year's Eve Party held January 1, 1948, sponsored by the Student Section of the CP in Minneapolis, Minnesota.



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ROWLAND was also a member of a Marxism-Socialism Club identified by source as a youth group of the CP District No. 9 on the Campus of the University of Minnesota prior to 1950.

T-22, of Unknown Reliability, a  
Former Member of the Student Section,  
CP, University of Minnesota,  
Fall 1947 to February, 1949

CHARLES ROWLAND presided over AYD meetings at AYD headquarters, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Source knew ROWLAND to be a member of the CP during the period of 1947 to 1949.

T-23, CP Member in  
Minneapolis, 1946-1948

CHARLES ROWLAND was a leader of the AYD at Minneapolis and a member of the CP during the period 1946-1948. ROWLAND taught classes at the CP School at Mesabi Park, Hibbing, Minnesota, in the summer of 1947 and at CP meetings at the CIO Hall, Minneapolis, 724 Fourth Avenue, South.

T-18, of Unknown Reliability,  
an Admitted Member of the Los  
Angeles County Communist Party  
(LACCP) from 6/50 to 9/50

T-18 advised on November 6, 1950 that CHARLES ROWLAND was a member of the LACCP, according to [redacted], LACCP Club official, who said ROWLAND was dropped from the LACCP for going into Mexico to hide at the outbreak of the Korean War.

According to this source ROWLAND and two friends, ROBERT HULL and [redacted], went to Mexico on July 20, 1950 to escape possible arrest at the outbreak of the Korean War. According to this source ROWLAND had come to Los Angeles from Minneapolis with ROBERT HULL in 1949. Source said that ROWLAND, HULL and [redacted] were homosexuals and admitted that the basis for his discharge from the military service was that he, the source, was a homosexual.

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INTERVIEW OF CHARLES ROWLAND

On August 20, 1952 ROWLAND was interviewed at 11506 Davenrich Avenue, Norwalk, California, by SAs [ ] and [ ], at which time he stated he had nothing to say to the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

T-24, T-25 and T-26 advised in January, 1954 that ROWLAND was not active in clubs of the LACCO in the immediate area of his residence to their knowledge.

MISCELLANEOUS ACTIVITIES

AMERICAN YOUTH FOR DEMOCRACY (AYD)

The AYD has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

The Minneapolis "Daily Times" newspaper, dated December 10, 1947, stated that CHARLES ROWLAND, State Executive Secretary of the AYD, was chairman of the meeting which sponsored the Minneapolis appearance of GERHART EISLER and CARL MARZANI on December 9, 1947. The AYD sponsored the meeting at the Labor Lyceum and ROWLAND introduced the speakers. SE [ ] attended the meeting and heard ROWLAND state in introducing EISLER that AYD sponsorship of the meeting did not mean that the group approved of EISLER's position. He went on to state that the AYD has Communists in its membership but stated that the AYD is specifically not a Communist organization.

GERHART EISLER is now reportedly in the Eastern Zone of Germany, according to local press reports.

T-7

ROWLAND, as Executive Secretary of the Minneapolis organization of the AYD in January, 1948, made the arrangements for the rental of AYD offices at 1607 Nicollet Avenue, Minneapolis, Minnesota, at which time his home address was listed as 303 Aurora Avenue, Apartment 3, St. Paul, Minnesota.

The St. Paul "Dispatch" newspaper, dated February 12, 1948, reflects that the Minnesota Chapter of the AYD would sponsor a rally on February 13, 1948 at the Minneapolis Labor Temple protesting universal military training and quoted ROWLAND as saying that the universal military training would lead directly to war. ROWLAND went on to say: "The push to pass the universal military training bill is part of a drive fostered by

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the Administration and Wall Street to bolster reactionary governments in Europe against democracy and prepare Europe for war while taking away our civil liberties at home.

T-13

ROWLAND, late in 1948 contacted [redacted], CP, regarding fund raising efforts to send [redacted] to Warsaw, Poland to attend the International Conference of Farm and Working Youth.

On July 10, 1948 ROWLAND sent telegrams to Mr. JOHN J. SCANLON, Acting Chief, Passport Division, State Department, Washington, D. C., urging immediate issuance of passports to delegates of the AYD to attend the International Conference of Working Youth to be held in Warsaw.

T-15

On January 22, 1949 ROWLAND attended a farewell party celebrating the dissolution of the AYD where he gave the introductory speech on "A Review of the AYD".

CIVIL RIGHTS CONGRESS (CRC)

The CRC has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

T-12

ROWLAND's name was maintained by the CRC in Minneapolis.

T-14

ROWLAND, among others representing the Minneapolis Chapter of the CRC, in 1948 picketed the Federal Court Building, Minneapolis protesting the indictment of CP leaders in New York. MM

T-11

ROWLAND attended a dinner held December 21, 1948 at [redacted] [redacted], sponsored by the CRC, at which GIL GREEN, CP leader, spoke regarding the coming trials.

T-27

The name, CHARLES ROWLAND, was maintained by the CRC in Los Angeles in 1952 and used in a telegram to the Attorney General McGRATH, protesting the trial and conviction of the eleven CP leaders.

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MISCELLANEOUS

INDEPENDENT PROGRESSIVE PARTY (IPP)

T-19 advised in March, 1952 that the IPP in Los Angeles County is under the complete control of the CP which sets its organizational goals, organizes its forces and assigns its leadership. Membership in the IPP, however, does not of itself indicate CP membership on the part of any particular member.

Records, Los Angeles County Registrar  
of Voters  
808 North Spring Street  
Los Angeles, California

CHARLES D. ROWLAND, 533 South Manhattan Place, Los Angeles, on March 1, 1950, declared his intention to affiliate himself with the IPP at the ensuing primary election. | |

"DAILY WORKER" and "WORKER"

The "Daily Worker" is an East Coast Communist newspaper. The "Worker" is the weekend edition of the "Daily Worker".

T-16 advised on January 17, 1949 that ROWLAND subscribed to the "Worker" and the "Daily Worker" in Minnesota.

T-17 advised on January 18, 1949 ROWLAND had turned in three subscriptions for the "Worker" in Minneapolis. | |

"NATIONAL GUARDIAN"

The 1949 Report of the California Committee on Un-American Activities cited the "National Guardian" as a publication launched in New York in 1948, aiming at national circulation, which they found to be from its inception notoriously Stalinist in its staff, writers, management and content.



ROWLAND received the "National Guardian" November, 1953 at 11506 Davenrich Avenue, Norwalk, California.

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ROWLAND and ROBERT HULL resided at 11506 Davenrich. At the time [redacted] moved into the premises [redacted] observed quantities of literature and letterhead stationery of the Mattachine Society, as well as a number of issues of the magazine "One" which she described as advocating marriage among men.

T-28 advised in August, 1953 that the Mattachine Society was organized as a foundation in 1953 with the announced aims of conducting research and educating the public with the general problem of homosexuality and to provide a focal point where homosexuals could meet and discuss their own problems.

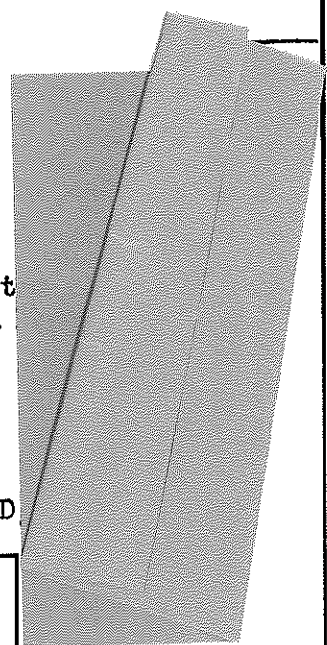
DESCRIPTION

The following description was obtained from Federal Records Center, St. Louis; Western Electric Company, St. Paul; and observation:

*Summary*

Name:	CHARLES DENNISON ROWLAND, Was. Charles Roland, Charles Rolland
Sex:	Male
Race:	White
Birthdate:	8/24/17; Gary, South Dakota
Height:	5'11" - 6'1"
Weight:	165-170 lbs.
Hair:	Brown
Eyes:	Hazel; wears glasses
Build:	Medium
Complexion:	Fair
Scars and Marks:	Tattoos on both arms
Characteristics:	Chronic throat disorder; limit right knee; fluent in German
Occupation:	Stenographer; teacher; Clerk
Marital Status:	Single
Social Security No.:	474-12-9224
Military Service:	ASN 37515297
Identification Record:	FBI #5085792
Relatives:	Mother, Mrs. BIRDIE B. ROWLAND Box 210, Gary, South Dakota

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Security Index

In view of the above-mentioned, it is recommended ROWLAND be continued on the Security Index.

Close Associates

ROBERT B. HULL reportedly resides with ROWLAND, subject of security investigation, LA 100-31390; [REDACTED], subject of [REDACTED].

Documentation has been requested for this report from Minneapolis by separate letter.

LEADS

LOS ANGELES DIVISION

At Los Angeles, California: Will submit amended administrative pages upon receipt of documentation from Minneapolis.



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T-3: Pretext calls by SA EMERY D. TURNER, 2/6/50					
T-4: Pretext calls by SA [redacted] [redacted], 6/19/49					b6 b7C
T-5: [redacted]					b2
T-6: [redacted] trash cover CP hdqtrs. 1216 Nicollet Ave., Minneapolis, Minn.)	1/13/47	4/5/48	Minn. office	MN66-826	b6 b7C b7D
T-7: [redacted]	AYD, 1/19/48	1/15/48	[redacted]		b6 b7C b7D
T-8: [redacted]					b2
T-9: [redacted]					b2
T-10: [redacted]					b2
T-11: [redacted]	7/18/48	11/15/48			b2 b7D

(This informant had furnished reliable information in the past, however, she was terminated 4/2/52. She is not regarded as a suitable witness and her whereabouts are unknown.)

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T-13: [redacted]					
T-14: [redacted]	10/16/48	10/18/48	GLEN R. DORNFIELD	MN100-6395- 32411 Sent Bureau 11/9/ 48	b6 b7C b7D
T-15: [redacted]					b2
T-16: [redacted]	4/7/49	10/22/48 (Rec'd MP 1/17/49)	HERBERT P. LARSON, SE [redacted], NYC	MP 100-4372- 16B1 p.37	b2 b6 b7C
T-17: [redacted]					b2
T-18: [redacted]	LACCP, 1950	11/6/50	JOHN R. HIGGINS	LA 100-30913- 18 Oral	b6 b7C b7D
T-19: [redacted]	Thumbnail IPP	3/21/51	H. R. WILINS OVERTON; JOHN P. MC HUGH		b2 b7D

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T-20: [redacted] [redacted]	CP, 1947	4/15/51	GORDON B. PLAYMAN	MN 100-6445	b6 b7C b7D
T-21: [redacted] [redacted]	CP, 1948	3/22/52	[redacted]	MN 100-7035	b6 b7C b7D
T-22: [redacted] [redacted]	CP member, and AYD member	11/21/52	[redacted]	NY 100- 111932	b6 b7C b7D
T-23: [redacted] [redacted], PS	CP membership; AYD membership	1/14/53; 1/16/53	G. MAYLON MILLER; GORDON B. PLAYMAN	MN 100-6658 LA 100-30913- 52 Oral	b6 b7C b7D
T-24: [redacted] [redacted]	LACCP, Norwalk	1/11/54	RICHARD J. NELSON	Oral	b2 b7D
T-25: [redacted] [redacted]	LACCP, Bellflower	1/12/54	RICHARD J. NELSON	Oral	b2 b7D
T-26: [redacted] [redacted]	Norwalk Club, LACCP	1/12/54	RICHARD J. NELSON	Oral	b2 b7D
T-27: [redacted] [redacted]	CRC, 1952	8/4/52	[redacted]	LA 100-23717- 1B32, Vol 3, p 183	b2 b6 b7C
T-28: [redacted] [redacted]	Thumbnails, Mattachine Society	8/19/53	H. RAWLINS OVERTON		b2 b7D

REFERENCE: Report of SA [redacted], 9/3/52, at Los Angeles

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T-4: Pretext calls by SA [redacted] [redacted]	6/1949			
T-5: [redacted]	Report of SA [redacted], at St. Paul, Minnesota, p 3, para. 1,3,4,5; p 4, para. 1,2,3; p 5, para. 1.	5/14/48		
T-6: [redacted]	Report of SA [redacted], at St. Paul, p 3, para 1; p 5, para 3	5/14/48		
T-7: A. [redacted]	AYD, 1/1948	1/15/48	[redacted]	
T-8: [redacted]	6/3/48	Report of SA CONNERS, 6/10/49, at St. Paul, p 2, para 2		
T-9: [redacted]	7/27/48	Report of SA FRANCIS D. CONNERS, 6/10/49 at St. Paul, p 2, last para		
T-10: [redacted]	8/26/48	Report of SA FRANCIS D. CONNERS, 6/10/49 at St. Paul, p 4, para 5		
	9/8/48	Report of SA FRANCIS D. CONNERS, 6/10/49 at St. Paul, p 4, para 6		
T-11: [redacted]	7/18/48	11/15/48 Report of SA FRANCIS D. CONNERS, 6/10/49 at St. Paul, p 5, para 2		

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T-12: Highly confidential source			[REDACTED] GALE F. LINDSEY	T-2 in rept SA CONNERS, 6/10/49 at St. Paul	b6 b7C
T-13: [REDACTED]				T-4 in "	b2 b7D
	7/10/48			P 3, para 3 in "	
T-14: [REDACTED]		12/9/48	GLEN R. DORNFELD	T-8 in "	b6 b7C b7D
T-15: [REDACTED]	1/22/49			p 6, para 6 in "	b2
T-16: [REDACTED]		1/17/49		T-10 in "	b2
T-17: [REDACTED]		1/18/49		p 6, para 5 in "	b2
T-18: [REDACTED]	LACCP, 1950	11/6/50	JOHN R. HIGGINS	LA 100-30913-18 Oral	b6 b7C b7D
T-19: [REDACTED]	Thumbnail IPP	3/21/51	H. RAWLINS OVERTON; JOHN P. MC HUGH		b2 b7D

**ROUTING SLIP:**

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(5-12-52)

Date 4/27

, 1954

Memo To: DIRECTOR, FBI

SAC \_\_\_\_\_ Title: CHARLES' DENNISON ROWLAND,  
 ASAC \_\_\_\_\_ was. SM-C  
 Supervisor \_\_\_\_\_  
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 Chief Clerk \_\_\_\_\_ Bufile 100-335009  
 Special Employee \_\_\_\_\_ File No. LA 100-30913

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 Read, Initial and \_\_\_\_\_ Return Serials \_\_\_\_\_  
 Return \_\_\_\_\_  
 Undeveloped leads in your district awaiting attention \_\_\_\_\_

Enclosed find 5 copies each of Administrative pages 15 and 16 of rept of SA RICHARD J. NELSON dated 2/19/54 at LA. Insertions have been made at LA. Case is being placed in Closed status.

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SA C. JOHN F. MALONE  
 Office LOS ANGELES

(In intra office use return this with notation as to action taken or explanation.)

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TO : Director, FBI (100-335009)  
 FROM : SAC, Los Angeles (100-30913)  
 SUBJECT: CHARLES DENNISON ROWLAND, was  
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DATE: November 16, 1953.

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DATE OF BIRTH PLACE OF BIRTH

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NATURE OF INDUSTRY OR BUSINESS (Specify from Vital Facility List)

RESIDENCE ADDRESS 11334 Cecelia, Norwalk, California

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-355009)

DATE: 5/31/55

FROM : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-30913)

SUBJECT: CHARLES DENNISON ROWLAND, was.  
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OO - Los Angeles

REFERENCE SAC Letter 55-30

SUCCINCT RESUME OF CASE

Security Index Card Canceled

Informants who have provided reliable information in the past have advised:

In February, 1947, ROWLAND was Educational Director of the Youth Commission of the Communist Party at Minneapolis, Minnesota, and also attended CP class leadership meetings. ROWLAND was also described as an American Youth for Democracy leader and a CP member in the period, 1946-1948. An informant of unknown reliability, an admitted Los Angeles County Communist Party (LACCP) member from June, 1950 to September, 1950, advised in November, 1950, that ROWLAND was an LACCP member who had been dropped for going to Mexico to hide out at the outbreak of the Korean war. ROWLAND on August 20, 1952, refused to be interviewed by Bureau Agents. Informants, who have provided reliable information in the past, have advised that ROWLAND's name was maintained by the Civil Rights Congress at Los Angeles in 1952; that he registered to affiliate with the Independent Progressive Party on March 1, 1950; subscribed to the "Daily Worker" in 1949 and the "National Guardian" in 1953.

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RECOMMENDATION

Remove from the Security Index. This recommendation is made since there is no information that ROWLAND has been a CP member for the past five years and does not meet the requirements of Section B of the referenced SAC Letter.

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI (100-355009)

DATE: April 25, 1955

FROM : SAC, Los Angeles (100-30913)

SUBJECT: CHARLES DENNISON ROWLAND, was.  
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RESIDENCE ADDRESS ✓ 11334 East Cecilia Street, Norwalk, California

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-355009)

DATE: DECEMBER 29, 1954

FROM : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-30913)

SUBJECT: CHARLES DENNISON ROWLAND, was.  
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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-355009)

DATE: 6/29/55

FROM : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-30913)

SUBJECT: CHARLES DENNISON ROWLAND, was. ATTN: IDENTIFICATION DIVISION  
SM - CRe Los Angeles letter to Bureau dated 5/31/55.

By above relet, Bureau authorized cancelling the Security Index cards formerly maintained for this subject at Los Angeles.

It is therefore requested that the Security Flash formerly placed for this subject in favor of the Los Angeles Office under FBI No. 5085792 now be cancelled.

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